

# TRADITION

ohio northern university







# Tradition

(N.) The passing down of values, beliefs, and rituals from one generation to another.





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# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

Ohio Northern University was founded by Henry Solomon Lehr in 1871. From that moment forward, ONU was dedicated to providing students with countless opportunities that would allow them to leave the university with one of the highest returns on investment in the state.

Ohio Northern was founded upon numerous core values including collaboration, community, diversity, excellence, faith, integrity, and service. Excellence has become more than a value here at ONU. It has become a tradition. Passed down year after year, students strive for nothing but excellence in every facet of their lives. This desire to find excellence is evident within the university and the community. Students and the university as a whole aspire to achieve the highest standards of performance in both professional fields and our individual roles.

This tradition of excellence proves evident in each component of the university. Whether it is student life, academics, athletics, or Greek life, students strive to achieve greatness. Excellence is part of the foundation that created this university and it is part of each individual who attends this great institution.

As a whole, Ohio Northern excels. The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Programs named ONU the Private University of the Year. ONU also ranked as No. 2 among Midwest Regional Colleges by U.S. News & World Report in America's Best Colleges 2013. According to Forbes, ONU is the No. 1 school in northwest Ohio and ranks among the top 100 in the Midwest. The university's ability to excel further motivates students to find excellence in their personal endeavors.

Evidence of excellence can be seen in every aspect of the university. The ONU tradition of excellence will forever remain a tradition here at Ohio Northern.







# Student Life





# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

The tradition of excellence is evident throughout the university especially within Student Life.

Ohio Northern Student Life offers students with countless opportunities to get involved and have some fun. Between the performing arts, religious life, club & intramural sports, and Greek life, students are bound to find something that interests them. Being located in such a small town, numerous committees such as the Student Planning Committee bring in forms of entertainment each week. Despite the town and campus's small size, no student shall fall victim to boredom.

Tradition builds a strong foundation within student life. There are numerous annual events that make each academic year memorable. Without these events, the school year would not be complete. The two most highly anticipated events of the year are the annual Mud Volleyball Tournament and the hypnotist. Mud Volleyball kicks off the school year with a bang. Students of all ages come together to get dirty and play some volleyball. During the winter, SPC brings in hypnotist Frederick Winters. For the 17th year in a row, the student body welcomed Mr. Winters with "pick me" signs and catchy slogans to get on stage. His presentation is clearly the biggest hit on campus for it has the student body buzzing weeks before & after the event.

Student Life would not be complete without service. Each year, students serve the community and nation through service projects. Northern Without Borders travels to the Dominican Republic where students open free clinics for locals. All in all, Student Life illustrates the tradition of excellence through its service and annual events.



Right: Residence Life members (Josh Blackwell) find room keys for new students.  
Below: Sig Ep brothers assemble a futon and reloat a bed.  
Bottom: A student carries in boxes.





# Goodbye House HELLO DORMS

freshmen move in marks the beginning of a new journey

On August 18, 2012, a new class of Ohio Northern Polar Bears took the next big step in life and moved into their dormitories. Freshmen move in day is a very memorable day for all ONU students. Move in day marks a new beginning. For on this day, each freshman officially moves away from home and gains true independence. Freshmen move in day is full of firsts. For most students, this is the first time they see their room and meet their roommate. As the rooms fill with items from home, college soon becomes a reality. Freshmen spend the day unloading the car, unpacking, and finally setting up their home for the next 9 months. As always, there is a ton of help from various organizations including the Greek community.

As glamorous as freshman move-in is, it is a mixed emotion kind of day. Freshmen are eager to meet new friends, explore the campus, and create their identity in their new home. However, students must also say goodbye to friends and family at home. Although saying goodbye can be emotional, the opportunities here at Northern are unimaginable.

With the support system Northern has to offer the transition from high school to college will be smooth and exciting.

Resident assistants were on hand to help welcome the incoming freshman class. From lifting televisions and boxes up three flights of stairs to taking apart and lofting beds, it was a warm welcome for the new students. As always, representatives from the Greek community donated their time to help the event run smoothly and it didn't go unnoticed! Volunteers not only helped carry boxes but also served as ambassadors of the university. They spoke from experience as they answered questions from both new students and parents.

For some, move in day was filled with stress and anxiety, but for others like freshman Garrett Wright, it was "Easier than I thought." Putting aside the mixed emotions, move in day signified a common beginning for all freshmen students. It was officially their time to take the plunge and begin their lives as ONU Polar Bears. At this moment, they became a part of the ONU tradition.



Left: President DiBiasio helps carry boxes to a new student's dorm.  
2 Left: Greek students empty a trailer for a new student.  
3 Left: A student helps a dad unload a fridge from the back of a truck.



# Ada Civic ENGAGEMENT

onu students serve the community through service

John Wesley, the founder of the United Methodist Church once said, "Do all the good you can, in all the places you can, to all the people you can." Here at Ohio Northern, students are not only valuable members of the University but also the Ada community. Unlike other universities around the nation, ONU has a foundation focused on service and giving back. The university strives to create citizen students dedicated to improving their communities while mastering their professions.

According to President DiBiasio, "Our service mission is part of our broader educational mission. We want our students to make significant contributions to their professions, but we also encourage our students to be involved in their communities and work to make their communities better. The vehicle through which that is done is through service."

Upon joining the ONU family as the First Lady, Chris Burns-DiBiasio was given the title Director of Community Relations. As the Director, the First Lady has created numerous

events and initiatives such as buying local and ACE Day. Ada Civic Engagement Day, better known as ACE Day, was first proposed by the First Lady in 2012. On August 24, 2013 numerous freshman students and upperclassmen came together to serve the community.

From 10am-12pm students worked at various "ACE Sites" throughout the Ada Community. ACE Sites included homes, city buildings such as the Ada Post Office, and even local parks. Students then worked together painting, landscaping, cleaning, decorating, and even cookings. Some students had even more unique tasks and found themselves washing fire trucks and community vehicles. Each individual ACE Site was responsible for providing all of the necessary materials, tools, and directions. To keep students busy and engaged, the citizen students worked various sites.

Serving the community has been an ONU tradition since its initial founding in 1871. Although ACE Day is only 2 years old, it is a new tradition that will forever be carried on.



Right: Students do some landscaping at a local home.

2 Right: A student hands out supplies during ACE Day.

Far Right: Students work together and lay bags of dirt.





Left: Students do some gardening at the Ada Post Office.  
Below: The First Lady addresses the student body to kick off ACE Day with excitement.  
Middle Below: Student wheel supplies from one site to another.





Right: Students jump with joy at Playfair.  
Below: A student cheers.  
Bottom Left: Jamie Garbash cheers and she runs through the welcome tunnel.  
Bottom Right: Students make a human chain as an ice breaker activity.







# New Friends & OPPORTUNITIES

first time students break the ice at welcome fest & playfair

From move-in to athletics and even graduation, Ohio Northern is based upon tradition. Therefore it is only natural that every freshman experience starts the exact same way. After moving in what is usually too much to fit in a single dorm, students make their way to King Horn for the annual Welcome Fest and activities.

Welcome Fest, coordinated by Student Senate, provides new students with the opportunity to get acquainted with everything the University and the surrounding community has to offer. Representatives from each campus group and various local businesses set up booths throughout the field house showcasing their specific entities while luring in students with free promotions. Freshmen and even upperclassmen, take the time to walk from booth to booth collecting free items, joining email lists, and forming new friendships. The most popular booth of the year was Kroger, which gave out \$5 gift cards for the giant Kroger vending machine by Northern Commons and the Stadium View apartments.

New students jam pack goodie bags with free candy, pens, shirts, sunglasses, and cups. Although Welcome Fest can be a little overwhelming at first, it is a fun and exciting way for new students to join groups that spark their interest. It provides freshmen with the opportunity to get involved in campus activities as soon as they arrive on campus. Each booth offers group information and an email list for further events and activities. Most importantly, the group president or other members are there to answer any questions the new students may have.

Welcome Fest is yet another ONU tradition that brings students together to form new friendships and lasting memories. When asked about his

experience at Welcome Fest freshman Jordan Kloss said, "I was excited to talk to a lot of different clubs that ONU had to offer and it was an even better experience because of all the free stuff they gave me. So yes, I definitely enjoyed my first experience with Welcome Fest."

There are countless other activities that help freshmen familiarize with the ins and outs of the ONU campus. Playfair, coordinated by the Office of Student Affairs, is held after Welcome Fest and is included in the freshman orientation program. Playfair consists of a bunch of different icebreaker activities with the main purpose of building friendships and a new support system. The event provides students with an unusual way to meet other freshmen while being silly. Odd activities included dancing back to back while more relaxed activities included sitting around and just talking.

One of the most important parts of a student's freshman experience is connecting with ONU, not only the students, but also the community and the people that make ONU what it is. Activities like Welcome Fest and Playfair play a huge role in making this happen for the newest students at ONU.

These initial activities at the beginning of the school year help jump start students' enthusiasm about the opportunities ahead. Students come out of their shell and become involved in new groups soon sprouting new friendships. Welcome Fest showcases the variety of campus groups while Playfair allows freshmen to learn about the people they will be spending their next four years with. Both Welcome Fest and Playfair are integral parts of the ONU freshman experience shared by freshmen last year, this year, and the years to come.





# Greek Life SHOWCASED

another school year kicked off with greekapalooza

Every year at Ohio Northern starts the same, kicking off the first week with Welcome Week, intended to get new students involved and interested in various groups and clubs on campus. Welcome Week would not be complete without one very exciting event: Greekapalooza.

Greekapalooza is an event held during the first week of the school year that allows all of the sororities and fraternities to come together to take over the tundra and entertain the campus. Even though all of these brotherhoods and sisterhoods are involved in different philanthropies, they all share the backgrounds centered on service, fellowship, and entertainment.

Each group offers differing activities and opportunities for students at Greekapalooza. Not only do the Greeks showcase their groups, but they also provide food, drinks, games, and conversation. Some groups even sponsor inflatable games and obstacle courses. Greekapalooza is a time where new students especially have the opportunity to see each Greek chapter on campus, ask questions, and see if there is any group that they would be interested in joining.

Sigma Phi Epsilon President John Atkinson says that their fraternity, "always looks forward to playing

cornhole during Greekapalooza. Many of our brothers think they're the best cornhole players to grace the earth, so it's always enjoyable to see them be humbled by freshmen who show up to play cornhole with us." This event is a special time for everyone because it allows all those involved in Greek Life to come together and share what their groups have been doing and get to experience an exciting event focused on showcasing their groups.

It is evident while walking in and out of inflatables and booths representing different groups interspersed throughout the tundra how much each person enjoys being a part of their respective groups. All of the Greek Life members take this time to exhibit their sheer passion for Greek Life and for their fraternity or sorority in particular. Every year the day is packed full with laughter, games, new friendships, and potentially new groups to join during the upcoming school year. It is a wonderful way to kick off the new year by showing what the Greek chapters have to offer the campus.

Greekapalooza is a University tradition used to unite the campus. It provides new students with the opportunity to form new friendships that can last a lifetime. Greekapalooza is the perfect way to start the school year.

Main: A student slides down the inflatable obstacle course.

Top Right: The trampoline was one of the favorite events at Greekapalooza.

Upper Right: A student gets dunked in the dunk tank.

Right: Cornhole competitions line the tundra.

Middle Right: Twister is one of the many events throughout the night.

Right: A new student plays cornhole with his future fraternity brothers.



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Right: Brittany Holland and Rebecca Yeh enjoy a carnival ride at the Homecoming tailgate.  
Below: After a great performance in the parade, two band members enjoy some free time at the pregame tailgate.  
Bottom: President DiBiasio honors the Hall of Fame members during the homecoming football game.





# Students Family AND ALUMNI

the university celebrates another homecoming

Nothing quite says fall like the annual homecoming festivities. Each year alumni from around the country travel to Ada to meet up with old friends and reminisce about their college days. Homecoming ran all weekend from Friday, October 5 through Sunday, October 7. This year's theme was "Where in the World is Klondike?"

Friday's schedule was relatively light. Homecoming participants had the opportunity to attend the Theta Chi Cookout, the ONU Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Banquet, and the ONU Choral Collage Concert in the Presser Recital Hall. Saturday was filled with numerous other events including special breakfasts and presentations. One of the most exciting events was the Stefanie Spielman Walk/Run for Breast Cancer. Everyone then gathered on Main Street to watch the annual homecoming parade.

The weekend of events all built up to the tailgate and homecoming football game. Prior to the game, the tailgate became a gathering place for students, families, and alumni as they

enjoyed rides, festivities, and music. Outside the stadium was filled with carnival rides and the sweet smell of barbeque all ran by ONU Alumni Relations and the President's Club members. Other organizations formed booths to promote various activities.

Homecoming wouldn't be complete without naming the Homecoming King and Queen. After weeks of campaigning and winning the preliminaries, Jacob Schwerer and Shayla Moyer were ultimately crowned King and Queen during the halftime show. After naming the King and Queen, President DiBiasio honored the Athletic Hall of Fame members. At the end of the night, the sky lit up with fireworks as it marked yet another successful homecoming.

The final homecoming event took place on Sunday in the McIntosh Wishing Well. The Sweethearts Brunch is a homecoming favorite where sweethearts from graduations past come together to celebrate finding their soul mates here at ONU. All in all the tradition of homecoming will surely continue.



Top Left: Klondike smashes the car during the annual Smash Bash.  
Bottom Left: Elissa McCracken (Miss Ohio) waves during the parade.  
Middle Right: An ONU football player catches a touchdown pass.  
Far Left: Homecoming Queen Shayla Moyer and King Jacob Schwerer.



Right: The Religious Life staff consisting of Rev. David MacDonald, Jody King, Jerrod Amstutz, Austin Hilverding, Matt Spangler, Lauren Frame, Brittany Newton, AJ Mehlow and Rebecca Wilden pose for a photo.

Main: The ONU Chapel is the center of campus.



# Religious Life EXPANDS

religious life caters to all students on campus

The religious life at Ohio Northern has expanded greatly since its start. The Religious Life organizations focus on four pillars: Worship, Fellowship, Spirituality and Service. There are numerous groups on campus that focus on two or more of these pillars and use them as foundations for a strong group.

Although Ohio Northern is a Methodist based university, there are groups on campus that cater to all different religions and beliefs. The religious groups on campus include Ada Friends, Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Fusion, Habitat for Humanity, Kappa Phi, Muslim Student Organization, Newman Club, Northern Christian Fellowship, Pre-Seminarians, Sigma Theta Epsilon, Technology Team, and Volunteers in Mission. There are also multiple outreach and volunteer opportunities through campus and with these groups that allow students to spread the word and to help

serve the community.

There are also numerous places of worship all over Ada that project different denominations, so that students of all beliefs will feel welcomed and taken care of on ONU's campus. ONU also provides radio shows that record the worship services of select Ada churches for students who care to hear the message but can't make it to the service. There is also a weekly service held at the chapel on campus for students and members of the Ada community as an easy place to go on Sunday mornings.

The religious groups on campus have grown a lot throughout the past few years, inviting more and more students to partake in their weekly activities. Anyone interested in a religious group on campus can feel free to come check it out for a week and float around between groups until they find one that fits their needs and beliefs. There is something for everyone in the religious life at Ohio Northern.







Above: The Fellowship of Christian Athletes members Lauryn Zielinski, Sara Rutherford, Kristina Klusek, Luke Rice, Kevin Weslosky, and Tom Gerberich make signs for athletic teams and play icebreaker games.



Right: Students gather on the tundra with blankets and snacks while SPC presents a movie on the big screen.

Below: Students try to get Frederick Winters' attention with homemade signs begging him to pick them to go on stage.





# Student Planning COMMITTEE

spc hosts on campus entertainment events

Being in a small town, life is a lot slower compared to a big city. There are fewer stores, restaurants, and bars but there is one thing the campus is not short on: Fun. The Student Planning Committee, better known as SPC, is an organization dedicated to providing the campus with entertainment. SPC President Tera Parrella further explained, "We have a dedicated group of members that work very hard to put on a variety of events every Tuesday and Friday for the students to enjoy- not to mention, they are free!"

Each year, SPC hosts numerous events to keep the campus entertained. Some of the more popular events this past year included the return of Frederick Winters (the hypnotist), the Haunted House with Sigma Phi Epsilon, a foam party, monthly super Bingos, Open Mic Nights, ONU Feud, magic shows by Daniel Martin and Michael Kent, opening comedians, and a number of cosponsored events with other organizations around campus.

The organization is extremely appreciated by the campus. This appreciation was

recognized at the President's Leadership Dessert when SPC won the Student Organization of the Year Award. "We were very honored to win the Student Organization of the Year Award, but it did not come without a lot of hard work by all of our members, executive board, and advisors," Parrella said.

Although the Student Planning Committee is greatly appreciated by all on campus, it is constantly looking for ways to improve. "We are always willing to take event suggestions and love feedback from the students! This coming year we are already looking forward to a number of acts we booked at our national convention- including Scarletta and Nashville Crush (Country bands), more comedians, and the return of Frederick Winters for like the 18th year in a row!" Parrella added. SPC is determined to make every experience at Northern memorable and with the organization's hard work and dedication to bringing in exciting acts, the campus will never fall victim to boredom.



Left: Frederick Winters, the famous hypnotist, plays a joke on the contestants. Winters had students believe that they were animals, pregnant men, and babies throughout the show. Middle: Students celebrate after a point in a mud volleyball match. Far Left: Brother Believe Me performs outside of Affinity.



Right: The Resident Assistants of Founders Hall pose during freshman check-in.

Middle: The Founders staff try to work out the bracket at the annual Mud Volleyball Tournament the hallway hosts.



# Residence Hall LEADERSHIP

residence life rules the hallways in on campus housing

Ohio Northern University takes pride in their Residence Life and on-campus housing facilities. Unlike many larger schools, students must live on campus for the first three years unless they choose to commute from home. As a result, ONU provides a variety of housing facilities staffed with qualified resident assistants to fit the needs of each student.

Freshmen have three possible main housing assignments. Northern House is an all guys dormitory while 5 University Parkway is all girls. The coed dorms are located in the complex including Maglott, Founders, and Park. Although freshman dorms are small, the open doors and community bathrooms allow students to meet new friends on a daily basis. Sophomore year students have the opportunity to improve their living situation and move to Lima, Brookhart, or Roberts in a suite style rooming system. Two students each have their own rooms but share a common room and bathroom. Other sophomores live in Affinity, one of the newer complexes on campus. Finally juniors and seniors live in apartments either in Klondike's Den, Polar Place, Northern Commons, Lakeview, University Terrace, or Stadiumview.

Residence Life would not be complete without the students who dedicate their time and energy to run each facility as Resident Assistants. Resident Assistants, better known as RAs, often times are the first mentor freshman students have. They lay the foundation for the university upon a student's arrival. A RA's role varies considerably as they monitor the halls, plan hall activities, provide campus wide events, and serve as a mentor. RAs are a resource. As a result, students often times turn to their RA for advice and tutoring.

In addition to patrolling and disciplining the hallway, Residence Assistants plan and promote campus wide events. Each main hall sponsors annual events to raise money for charity. Founders Hall is in charge of the annual Mud Volleyball Tournament while Maglott sponsors a Kick Ball Tournament. These programs provide students with an opportunity to get involved and support their Residence Life.

Residence Life is composed of facilities and staff dedicated to providing ONU students with the best college experience. It is yet another example of the University's tradition of excellence.







Left: A hallway holds its first wing meeting of the year. The RA goes over the housing rules and asks each resident to fill out housing contracts.

Above: A new student receives his key.

Middle: David Peters works the check in table during freshman movie in

Top: The Maglott Hall staff poses with their Batman sign.





The brothers and sisters of Kappa Phi and Sigma Theta Epsilon participate in numerous events including making floats for the parade and doing hair wraps at community events (Sarah Massella).





# Christian Greek LIFE GROWS

God centered fraternities witness to the campus and community

Ohio Northern Greek Life is not limited to social and service fraternities. ONU provides students with Christian organizations as well. Kappa Phi and Sigma Theta Epsilon are the female and male Christian Greek organizations available to the campus.

Kappa Phi provides college women with the opportunity to strengthen their spiritual and social aspects of their lives with women who hold the similar beliefs as them. The purpose of the group is to develop a deeper understanding of God, develop of sisterhood of Christian women and create a supportive atmosphere for the women. The traditions within the group are a sacred part of their group. "Each weekly sisterhood is opened by the lighting of a candle, and the singing of the Kappa Phi Hymn. Sisterhood is closed by extinguishing the candle and singing a closing hymn that talks about guiding and blessing us" according to Ashley Hoehn. Hoehn mentions that the four main areas of focus are worship, study, fellowship and service. They help conquer these areas through different activities and events for the campus throughout the year, the most

popular one being the annual Sing-a-thon, a 24-hour service event in which people sign up and pay to sing for charity. The women take their traditions and areas of focus seriously to help them all in their personal growth throughout the year.

Sigma Theta Epsilon is a group aimed at the Christian males on campus in their efforts to reach out with service and witnessing to the community. The group focuses on becoming a group closer with each other and God. The men circle their group around 1 Corinthians 3:9: "For we are fellow workers with God" in an effort to focus on service to others and to spread the word of God. Every year, they host a canned food drive for the Ada community as well as a weekly worship night and Ada Outreach. They are truly a blessing to the community.

These two groups are centered around their love of God and their efforts to spread God's word and His love throughout the community. The companionship of the groups allows them to grow in their own relationships with Christ while helping others to grow in theirs as well.





# Habitat for Humanity CHANGES LIVES

students dedicate their breaks to serving others and building homes

It has been a year of treading new ground and setting high goals for the Ohio Northern University Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. With the strong support of the Ohio Northern community, our habitat chapter took a leap of faith and added a fourth trip to our annual spring break program. This year we sent 130 students and faculty across the United States to participate in the Habitat for Humanity program Collegiate Challenge. Our trips headed to Jackson, Mississippi; Albany, Georgia; Davidson, North Carolina; and Greenwood, South Carolina. These trips were in addition to the Winter Break trip down to New Orleans, involving 20 students and faculty over the New Years.

During the week students stayed at local churches or retreat centers and work with the local Habitat for Humanity affiliate. The groups worked on a variety of projects from house rehabilitation to new house builds. Students were able to get hands on experience at the worksite learning from trained Habitat for Humanity workers. Beyond all the hard work, the trips are full of much fun and bonding. Habitat for Humanity is more than simply building a house; it is building a new life for a deserving family while forming unforgettable relationships with classmates.

In addition to our travels Habitat for Humanity also hosted and participated in many events in our community. Students moved in a week before school to participate in our annual Work Week to help build a new house in Dunkirk. We hosted our traditional Act! Speak! Build! Week! This past fall to help raise awareness across campus of substandard housing that is prevalent even in our own community. During this week a member stayed in the "Shock Shack" made of materials from a local junkyard, only eating the food graciously donated by students. Furthermore, eleven students and faculty shaved their heads for Hairless for Habitat this winter. Students also enjoyed the Spaghetti Dinner and Date Auction to help raise funds for our spring break trips.

This year's verse inspiring this years work is from 1 Peter 4:10, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of Gods grace in its various forms." This verse has motivated us to get more of the ONU student body involved in our annual trips and programs. In the future we plan to continue our growth of service across the country, embracing the Ohio Northern principle of community involvement.

Right: Joanne Berry and Laura Avino inform the community about Habitat for Humanity.

Middle: Melissa Schroth and team pose after a long day of work in Alabama.

3 Right: Alicia Sawmiller and Allison Maynard pose for a photo in Jackson.

Far Right: Laura Avino and Nate Ogden paint the side of the house.

Main: Adriana Jones, Kristina Klusek, Megan Cottongim, Lauryn Zielinski, Lizzy Aiello, Alicia Sawmiller, Allison Maynard, Kaila Bollinger, and Holly Evans pose in front of the home they built in Mississippi.









Right: Junior Lauryn Zielinski poses with a group of children.  
Below: Jordan Vosburg chats with local children.  
Bottom: Junior Luke Rice plays a fun game with local children.





# Leaving a Global FOOTPRINT

northern without borders travels to the dominican republic

Opportunities at ONU expand beyond the United States. Each summer Northern Without Borders sends three teams of students, faculty, and alumni to the Dominican Republic for a week of service projects. The teams are made up of students and faculty from all facets of the university including pharmacy, engineering, pre-med, nursing, and business to name a few. Northern Without Borders started as a routine mission trip back in 2010 but today, it is so much more. According to the university, "The mission of Northern Without Borders is to plan, develop, and implement student led service work in under served areas around the world." Year after year, the organization continues to grow as alumni, students, and faculty become even more determined to make a difference.

Packing for a week trip can be difficult. In addition to clothes students packed their suitcases with over the counter medication, vitamins, medical supplies, sporting equipment, and craft supplies all to be passed out to the local people.

Once students arrived, they traveled to local neighborhoods, schools, and villages where they set up camp and temporary clinics. Over the course of the week, local families came to the clinics where they were examined and given the necessary medication. Although the clinics were staffed by qualified doctors,

surgeons, and students they were very different than what Americans experience. Junior Luke Rice comments, "When we first arrived at Los Alejos, there was a rickety old building with half of a roof and about the size of a normal sized dorm room. There were two doorways, but no doors. To go along with that, the floor was just grass, dirt, and rocks. If you haven't guessed, that was the building that our first clinic was held in."

In addition to providing medical services, the students took turns entertaining the children as they waited in lines to see the physicians. Students brought Frisbees, stickers, soccer balls, and baseball equipment to give to the children. Although the toys were fun, the children were most excited about spending time with students and taking pictures every other second. Local children and students were seen hand in hand walking through the beautiful Dominican terrain. Those few moments with their new American friends were surely times that the local children will never forget.

For some students, the end of the week didn't mark the end of their journey. Students like Junior Morgan Sperry knew as soon as she arrived home that she would return to the DR the following summer. Northern Without Borders is truly a remarkable experience that not only positively impacts the Dominican but the lives of the students as well.



Left: Spencer Schleigh makes new friends with the local children.  
2 Left: Molly Wascher learns how to take blood pressure on Christine Schulte.  
3 Left: Rachael Macko gives the local children stickers.



Right: Davyn Hunter takes the mic.

3 Right: The crowd watches with poise as the models make their way down the catwalk.

2 Right: Senior Sasha Bolotova walks down the runway with attitude.

Far Right: Julie Rice teases Kristen Cellentani's hair before the show.

Main: Kristen Jacobsen, Molly Kulp, Victoria Gayotin, and Kyle Rex strike a pose.

Bottom Far Side: Crystal Boykin owns the runway and strikes a pose.



# Fashion Show SUCCESS

the black student union promotes positive values

One of Ohio Northern's well-known groups on campus is its Black Student Union. The Black Student Union (BSU) was officially initiated at Ohio Northern in 1966. The group aims to accomplish three things: 1. Recruit and retain more black students 2. Come together with one another 3. Diversify and sensitize the ONU campus. BSU member, David Sentongo, confirms that "The Black Student Union functions as a medium through which African American students can discuss the issues that they face in day-to-day life and on campus. However, our mission is also to educate students of different backgrounds regarding what it means to be African-American and clear up any misconceptions that they may have about us. Therefore, our goal this year was to emphasize that we are accepting of students of all backgrounds."

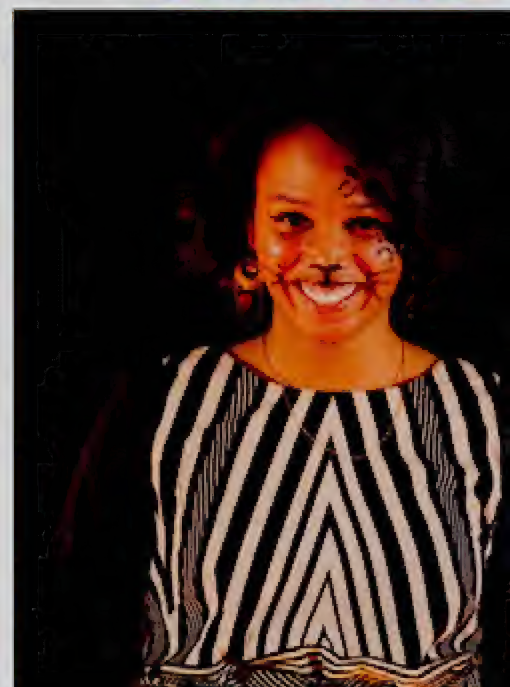
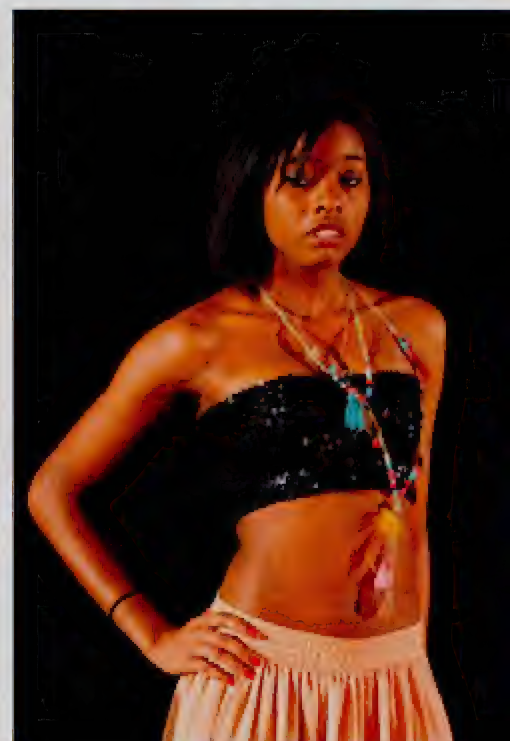
Throughout the year, the BSU hosts events to educate the campus about their group and to get students of all different cultures involved together.

Multiple events are held particularly during Black History Month, but the most famous event hosted by the BSU is the annual Fashion Show every February. Sentongo mentions that "As a team, we just wanted to throw the biggest and best fashion show ever. And we did." The BSU recruited over 60 students across the campus to participate in their fashion show to make their vision a reality. The group put in numerous hours of preparation in order to pull off this large undertaking and to make this the best one yet.

The great minds of the BSU help keep the group growing and thriving. More and more students across the campus of Ohio Northern are becoming increasingly aware of the Black Student Union and the values that they represent. This is a wonderful group that has their heads on right, promoting honorable values and gaining respect from the entire campus for their work and principles as well as their openness to different cultures throughout ONU.









Right: Freshman Brooke Espenschied, a Good News Bear, leads a group of incoming freshmen through campus during a summer orientation.

Below: Juniors Michelle Seislove and Duane Cehelnik call alumni about making donations to ONU.

2 Below: The Phonathon students say thanks to all of the alumni who made donations.





# Job Opportunities THRIVE AT ONU

students find jobs all over ada and at the university

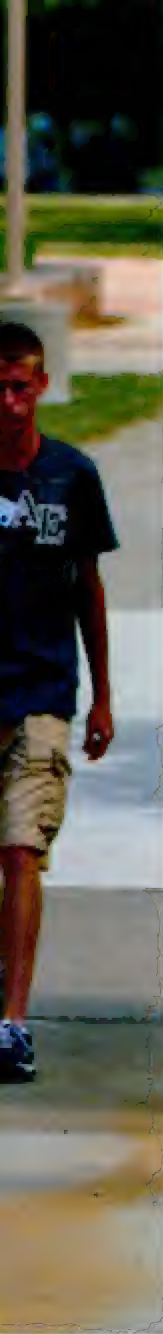
Being a college student can be tough. Often students refer to themselves as "broke college students" since there is sometimes no time or proper place to hold a job while still attempting to complete coursework in a timely and successful manner. However, there are opportunities at Ohio Northern and throughout Ada to hold a job that allow students to keep attending to their schoolwork and still manage to keep away from the "broke" status.

One of the most popular jobs on campus is being a tour guide, otherwise known as a Bear Ambassador, to prospective students. Throughout the year, students can be seen leading high schoolers and their families through campus pointing out the beauty of campus and what Ohio Northern has to offer them. Senior, Molly Kulp sincerely enjoys being a Bear Ambassador for admissions; "and I have so much fun I don't even feel like it's a "job." Instead I feel like I'm getting paid to share with prospective students my knowledge and stories about the wonderful experiences I've had throughout my years at ONU. Each interaction I partake in, I hope to spark interest in our university by showing my passion for being a polar bear, and maybe inspire them to become future students of Northern."

Some other on-campus jobs include Good News Bears at orientations, working at the library front desk, helping in the mail room and working at the Mac Desk. "Working at the MacIntosh Desk for the past couple of years has been more of a blessing than a job," says Junior, Lauryn Zielinski. "I couldn't ask for a more caring and encouraging work environment or coworkers. This position has allowed me to help pay my way through school as well as given me the opportunity to be a representative of the university when it comes to helping other students or visitors to the university."

If you don't happen to qualify for work study, to work for an on campus job during the year, there are plenty of jobs off campus that are available and the businesses lining Main Street are there for you. Many students enjoy working at McDonalds or Jalapenos but the most popular off-campus job for students is Padrones.

The on and off-campus jobs provided at Ohio Northern and throughout Ada provide the students the opportunity to earn a little extra cash while still allowing them to commit a significant amount of their time to their school work, all with the idea of helping them succeed in mind.



Left: Many students including DeMarqus Payne and DeMarrius Payne work for the Office of Advancement.  
2 Left: The ONU Bear Ambassadors pose for a photo.  
3 Left: The Orientation meet in Affinity for an opening meeting.



# Students Unite to FIGHT CANCER

relay for life continues to grow year after year

Each year ONU students and the community unite to fight a disease that has affected everyone's lives. Whether you have personally fought cancer or been there for a loved one as they battled through the fight for their life, cancer has forced its way into our lives. For 24 hours, students unite for a cause while walking around the track for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Relay provides students with the opportunity to come together to celebrate lives and remember those who have passed from this horrible disease.

As teams of students walk around the tundra and play various yard games they all show a sense unity. Relay for Life has three purposes: to honor survivors, remember those lost, and fight to find a cure. Each team raises money to place toward finding this cure. This year, ONU raised \$17,913.22. Unfortunately this year's event was filled with rain forcing everything indoors. Despite the weather, the event was just as exciting and heartfelt as ever. Relay President Jaclyn Purgert explains why she loves the event, "I have put so much work and so much into it that I just love to see the event every year and see what really comes of that work. All of the unity from

the students and the community and all of the passion that you really get to see more at the event than throughout the year."

The most memorable part of the night is the Luminaire Ceremony. After sunset, each participant lights a candle in honor of a survivor or to remember a life lost to cancer. Hundreds of luminaires flicker in the moonlight creating a surreal feeling. It allows everyone to come together to remember and celebrate so many lives. It shows that everyone is in the fight together. This year's honorary survivor was junior Jeni Kmic. During the event she spoke to the participants about her experience.

This event could not of been possible without the help of Jaclyn Purgert, Victoria Cho, and Vanja Raduka. Advisors Mark Cruea and Robin White also helped lead the event. Each year, Relay continues to grow and become more prominent within the community. Purgert explains her hope for the organization, "I would love to see it grow and see more community involvement and a more of a holistic Ada involvement rather than mostly students. I would love to see some people from the community get involved on our committee and heading up relay for life."

- Main: A group leads the walk at a past Relay event.
- Right: To raise additional funds, one team sets up a concession stand for last minute donations.
- 2 Right: Shalom Arellano enjoys the event.
- 3 Right: Participants walk the loop to fight cancer.
- Far Right: A relay member wears a purple suit to promote the event at a basketball game.
- Top Right: Team Brady!









Right: Seniors Josh Green, Ryan Sabol, Austin Windsor, and Craig Sumner dig a trench during a stop of their cruise through the Bahamas.

Below: Kelsie Moore, Alex Schiavone, and Emily Park eat dinner on vacation.

Two Below: Brett Bomba, Kevin Ledden, Kyle Wrentmore, Kimmy Connor, and Sami Atkinson bury Abbie Schauble in the sand while vacationing in the infamous PCB.





# Holiday Break EXCURSIONS

students look for adventures over spring and winter break

Although the students at Ohio Northern love coming back to Ada every year, winter break and spring break are often two of the most sought after times during the school year. This is a crucial time for students to take a break from the rigors of the academic life and simply relax. Many students choose to take this time to travel home and spend time with their families, some take trips with friends and still some partake in campus excursions as well.

Often times, students gather their ONU family and explore the wonders that lie beyond Main Street. Students have chosen to take cruises, go backpacking, or go to the beach, just to name a few of the many options. Often times, groups of friends will bump into other groups of ONU students and end up spending the break as one big ONU family. Panama City Beach is one such place that students love to travel to during their spring break outings, usually making friends with students from other colleges on break as well. Junior Justin Merz was one of many who traveled down to PCB. "This years spring break was by far one of the best times. It was full of friends, sun, tans, and a much needed break from classes!" Merz said.

As for ONU activities, Habitat for Humanity took their annual trip down to Jackson, Mississippi for spring break.

The choir and band often take their groups on exciting adventures as well. Sports teams including the tennis and golf traveled down south for an opportunity to play outside competition while getting a little sun. Senior Joseph Frank a member of the men's tennis team reflects on their annual trip, "Our spring break trip was something that I always looked forward to year in and year out. For one it was really nice to get away from the Ada weather and play outside again! It was not only a great way for the team to get closer but also play some great competition down in Florida. It always brought some unforgettable laughs that I will never forget. We had sun, tennis, fun, and comradery." Over winter break, three senior football players had a special opportunity to represent ONU one last time at the fourth annual Tazon de Estrellas all-star football bowl game in Guadalajara, Mexico. Seniors Tyler Joseph, Cody Kelly, and Cory Spelman represented Team Stars & Stripes, which ultimately defeated a team of Mexican collegiate all-stars 32-15.

No matter where you choose to spend your holiday breaks, at home, in Ada, or on a new adventure, the adventures taken by ONU students create memories and stories that will be told forever.



Left: Seniors Alicia Palivoda, Andrea Schmitt, and Erin Waehner cool off in the ocean during their cruise through the Bahamas.

Middle: Yearbook Adviser Sarah Prasher poses with fellow Zeta sisters at Disney World. Prasher attended alumni events in Florida over Spring Break.

Far Left: Senior Cody Kelly poses with a child during his excursion to Mexico for the All-Star bowl game over winter break. When they weren't playing football, the players from across the United States taught local children how to play football and improved the community through service projects.



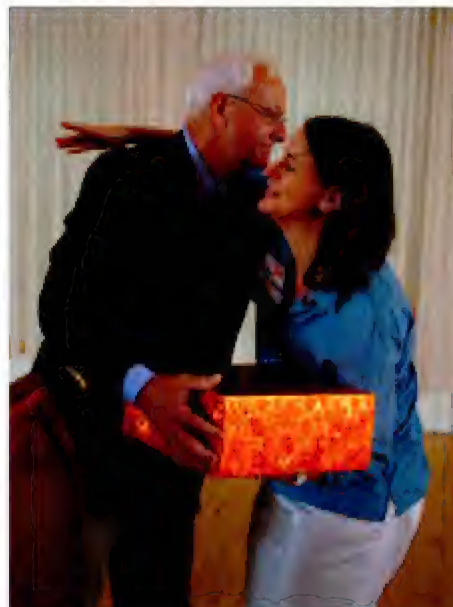
Right: Sarah Prasher and Colleen Kerger pose at Disney World. 2 Right: Ann Hamilton receives a thank you gift from Ken Block for her service as the Alumni Director.

Middle Right: The President's Club poses at the conclusion of Alumni Weekend.

Far Right: Laura Avino and Adam Smith pose with alumni.

Main: Zach Woods mingles with alumni.

Right Side: Core Group members Sara McAllister, Josh Blackwell, Shea Pennington and Scott Swallen.



# President's Club SERVES ALUMNI

p-club students leave lasting impressions on onu alumni

The President's Club was first created by President Kendall Baker and First Lady Toby when they first arrived at ONU. The concept was new for the university but was based upon a similar group established at the University of North Dakota. The President's Club officially started on 9-9-99 at 9pm with 9 members.

The original advisor was current Vice President of Student Affairs, Ms. Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw. However, the club later became a part of alumni relations under Alumni Director Ann Donnelly-Hamilton. At the conclusion of the 2012-2013 school year, Ms. Sarah Prasher will take over as Alumni Director when Donnelly-Hamilton fills Bill Robinson's position as the Executive Assistant to the President.

To be a part of the club, students must submit an application. After careful consideration, certain applicants are invited to interview with core group. As P-Club members, students serve as assistants to the President and First Lady. Josh Blackwell adds, "To be a member of the President's Club is such an esteem honor that I will always cherish. You are not only an ambassador for the president and first lady, but also for the entire university as a whole."

President's Club presents students with numerous opportunities throughout the year. Alumni events held throughout the state, region, and country require student helpers. Students have the opportunity to travel to places as far as Washington D.C. or Florida to assist alumni events. "As a member, you meet amazing alumni who

always give back to the university. When you have the opportunity to hear such amazing stories about how they met their husband or wife, the fun and unique things they used to do when they were a student, and how ONU has impacted their lives, it gives you a great sense of Polar Bear Pride." One of the biggest events of the year is Alumni Weekend. Alumni from around the country travel to Ada to celebrate 50-year reunions and the Golden Years. For some, it marks the first time they are back on campus since their graduation. Kelsie Moore explains her love for Alumni Weekend, "Alumni weekend is by far my favorite P-Club event. It is a BLAST to show the alumni around a campus that has changed so much since they graduated. All of the alumni genuinely appreciate and love the students, and sure know how to make you feel special all weekend!"

All in all, the President's Club is a club devoted to not only the president, but also the alumni and the university as a whole. It is comprised of students dedicated to serving ONU and sharing that passion for the university with alumni from around the world. The club is filled with opportunities and friendships that can never be matched. "Through President's Club, I have met so many amazing people that I still keep in touch with, created lasting friendships, but most importantly, it created an avenue for me to give back to my university and share my passion for Ohio Northern University. I will always be a Polar Bear and a member of one of the greatest organizations at ONU, the President's Club!"













# The Event of the Year MUD VOLLEYBALL

two days packed with friends, fun, and not so clean competition

The walls of the dormitories are splattered with muddy handprints. The freshman shower stalls are covered in a film of brown. Music and laughter can be heard from any point on campus. These factors indicate nothing else but the annual Mud Volleyball Tournament held by the pavilion.

Each year, Founders Hall hosts a mud volleyball tournament. The event runs for two days and teams have the opportunity to compete in one of three divisions: men, women, and coed. For the next two days, teams of all ages battle it out for the ultimate mud volleyball title. The tournament enforces a single elimination format where teams play a game to 10.

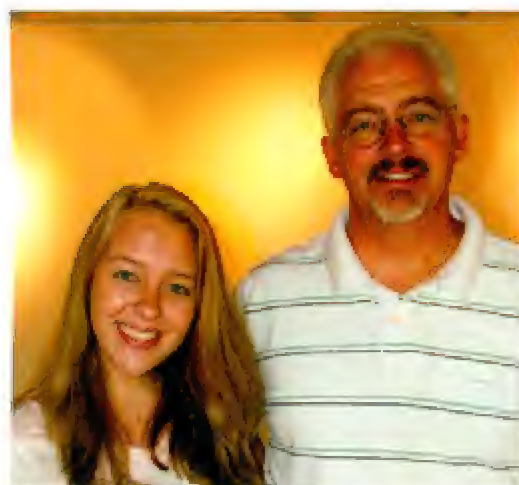
The Mud Volleyball Tournament is an experience that students will never forget. It provides students with the

opportunity to let loose, stay active, and swim in the ONU ponds for once. For many students, it becomes their favorite memory while at ONU. "One of my favorite memories at ONU was participating in mud volleyball both my freshman and sophomore years. It is a unique event that ONU has and it really helps you to meet new people and have fun with friends, no matter how many times you get thrown in the mud!" Kay Bahrey explained.

This event is so monumental to ONU that even President DiBiasio joined the fun and played a few games in the mud. Mud Volleyball surely kicks off the school year with intensity and excitement. For as soon as its over, students are already planning their strategies for the following year. It is without a doubt that mud volleyball will be back next year.









# Many Generations ONE UNIVERSITY

legacy students share the college life with previous generations

Family traditions are ones that are held close to each person and often grow as time passes. It is wonderful when a family gets the privilege of sharing a special event such as a holiday event or summer vacations, but what is really special is when the entire family gets to share in the major life's events, college for example. The legacy students at Ohio Northern get to experience this treat. In these families, the family traditions stretch farther than their living room, all the way to Ada.

Freshman Reed Allen is fortunate enough to be able to share in the ONU experience with both of his parents. As well as all three attending Ohio Northern, Allen and his father share not only the school aspect, but both have been able to wear an ONU football jersey, making the experience all the more special. Allen mentions that, "ONU is a very special place to my family and I. The stories they told me growing up made me want to come to ONU even more each time I heard them."

Senior Education major, Alexis Henton and her sister, freshman Pharmacy major, Olivia Henton not only get to experience life at ONU together but also get to share their stories with both of their parents as well, making Ohio Northern a Henton family favorite. "My sister and I always knew that we wanted to go to Northern. We

experienced many years of homecomings and became so close to the school. We love everything about Northern: the small town of Ada, friendliness of all employees, beautiful campus, close knit school community and school pride, and wanted the same great experience our parents had."

In case these legacy stories aren't enough, there is another twist to the plot line. The Henton family and Allen family are good friends, and have been since the four parents attended college together. With their parents already as close friends, the children in the family have become rather close as well. Alexis shares their relationship with the Allen family; "Along with many get togethers and hangouts throughout the years, the Henton family and Allen family meet up every year at the ONU homecoming to meet up with college friends and reminisce about their fabulous four years at Northern like it was yesterday!"

ONU has been a treasured place for years and is a place where special memories are made. As if making our own college memories aren't exciting enough, getting to share the experience and memories over different generations with family and friends makes the college experience all the more unique and special.



Right: Local farmers roll down Main Street in their tractors during the annual Harvest & Herb Festival.  
 Below: The Ada Pennsylvania Station & Railroad Park.  
 2 Below: The infamous Ada clock tower.  
 Bottom: The Ada Police join the parade as vendors line the edges of the street for the Harvest & Herb Festival on Family Day.





# Welcome to MAIN STREET

main street provides students with food & entertainment

Everyone knows that Ada is not the biggest town around; but rolling into campus down Main Street is an iconic trip for all the students. You know you are almost home when the downtown businesses start popping up and the Wilson NFL water tower comes into sight. Although Main Street really is the only commercial street on campus, there are numerous local companies dispersed throughout the town.

Another iconic image of Ada as you are driving down Main Street is Ada's Historic Railroad Park just past the railroad tracks. The park is marked by the Village Clock that proudly displays Ada, Ohio, in its vintage style. The park is complete with picnic tables and green areas for the people of Ada as well as ONU students to sit and enjoy the town's history.

Main Street provides students with

restaurant options such as the popular EL Campo, Padrones, and Jalapenos to name a few. Northern On Main café sits on Main Street at the front entrance of campus ready for students to offer sandwiches, coffees and drinks. There are also entertainment options available to students such as the locally owned Ada \$4 Movie Theater that is popular amongst students for weekend festivities, especially during midnight releases of popular movies. Locally owned businesses are big in Ada and include Restore, nail salons, the Ada Herald newspaper headquarters and the barber shop, all of which are available to students.

Although there is only one street with options for food, entertainment, and simple necessities, Main Street provides the students of Ohio Northern with substantial options to thrive in such a small town.



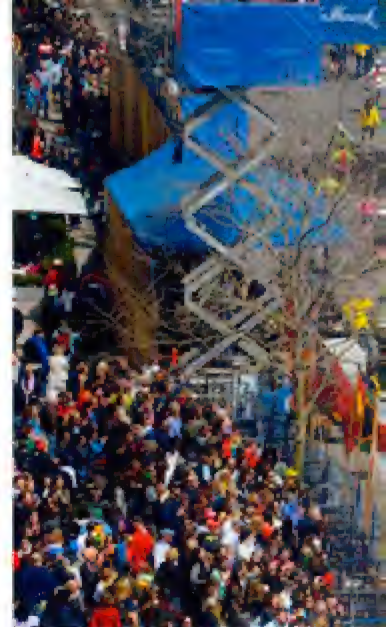
Left: The local Ada Theater is a favorite among the college students.

2 Left: Little Mexico is one of the favorite bars here in Ada. It is famous for its Karaoke Night every Wednesday.

3 Left: The Regal Beagle is the most talked about local establishment here at ONU. The town's university bar is a favorite among legal students.



Right: Pope Francis waves.  
 2 Right: The Boston Marathon  
 finish line just moments after the  
 first bomb exploded in the  
 crowd.  
 Main: President Obama and  
 First Lady Michelle Obama  
 celebrate after being reelected.



# Tragedy & Triumph UNITES U.S.

through the good times and bad the u.s. remains one

The 2012-2013 academic school year was not only busy for ONU students but also the US news networks. Media outlets of all sorts were actively informing the public of the latest breaking news stories. Whether it was a tragedy, a victory, or a new beginning, it made no difference. Through it all, the citizens of the United States remained united.

Throughout the year, Americans often found themselves leaning on each other for support due to the numerous tragedies that seemed to turn life upside down. In Aurora, Colorado, James Holmes walked into a movie theater during The Dark Knight Rises midnight showing and proceeded to open fire on the captive audience killing 12 while injuring 50 others. Later in the year, gun violence continued in Newtown, Connecticut, when Adam Lanza went on a shooting spree inside Sandy Hook Elementary killing 20 children and 6 adults. These tragedies sparked a rise in attention to gun control and the current administration's plan to reduce gun violence.

Violence continued at the Boston Marathon when brothers Tamerlan and Dzhokar Tsarnaev placed explosive in backpacks near the finish line. The two bombs that detonated just seconds between each other killed 3 and seriously injured over 175. After a manhunt and exchanges of gunfire, one brother was caught while the other was killed.

Natural disasters also played a large role in the academic year. Between tornadoes and tropical storms, the Red Cross kept extremely busy. Hurricane Sandy rocked the east coast causing mass evacuations. The hurricane caused close to \$62 billion in U.S. damages making it the most

expensive tropical storm since Hurricane Katrina. The massive storm surges, 13 feet above low tide, caused subway systems to shut down, power to be lost, and homes to be destroyed.

On a lighter note, it was an extremely exciting year in sports with history making championships and unbelievable scandals. In college sports, Manti Te'o's dead girlfriend ended up being a hoax. This catfish hoax was covered by all of the major networks and was thought to jeopardize his NFL draft plans. To make his senior season worse, Alabama demolished him and his Notre Dame squad in the National Championship 42-14. March Madness proved memorable when UCONN won its 8th women's basketball national title. For men, Louisville beat the University of Michigan 82-76. On the professional stage, the Miami Heat won yet another NBA Championship after going on a 27 game winning streak.

Publicists for professional athletes and universities kept busy this year, too. Lance Armstrong admitted to taking performance-enhancing drugs during his interview with Oprah. He was stripped of his Tour de France titles, lost most of his endorsements, and was forced to leave his Livestrong Foundation.

2012 was an election year for the U.S. Presidency. President Barack Obama defeated Republican Mitt Romney. President Obama will serve a second term.

The 2012-2013 academic school year was filled with breaking news stories, but through it all, U.S. citizens remained united as one.







Above: The Fab 5 await the final scores that will determine if they won the gold or silver at the 2012 Summer Olympics, ultimately winning gold as a team.

2 Above: LeBron James and his fellow Miami Heat teammates celebrate after winning the NBA Championship.

Top Right: Hurricane Sandy left the east coast in ruins. Famous Jersey Shore location Seaside Heights was hit particularly hard.





# ACADEMICS





# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

There is no facet of ONU that portrays excellence greater than academics. Year after year each of the five colleges continually exceeds expectations and reinforces its dominance compared to other universities.

The Getty College of Arts & Sciences values experiential learning allowing students to use hands on approaches while working side by side with faculty. The college has 16 departments and offers over 50 majors. For the last 8 years, the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program honored the mathematics and science departments.

The James F. Dicke College of Business Administration is a vision of excellence. The college is accredited by the AACSB International & Bloomberg Businessweek named it the 62nd best business school in the nation. The college ranked 3rd in Ohio and 14th overall in academic quality.

It is no surprise that the Raabe College of Pharmacy continues the tradition of excellence in academics. As one of the oldest 0-6 direct admit pharmacy programs in the nation, the college strives to remain superior among other pharmacy programs. In fact it is one of nine direct admit schools in the nation.

Lastly, the T.J. Smull College of Engineering exhibits excellence through its accredited civil, computer, electrical, and mechanical programs. In 2012 the engineering and computer science graduates achieved a 94% placement rate upon graduation and, 92% of them passed the Fundamentals of Engineering exam.



Right: The majorettes and color guard lead the marching band down Main Street for the homecoming parade.

Below: A trumpet player plays the ONU hymn.



Above: Members of the Marching Band spell out O-N-U at Homecoming.

Right: The Marching Band waits for the proper count before marching down Main Street during the Homecoming Parade.





# High Profile PERFORMANCES

onu band continues to impress the university & world

Music is a large part of the ONU community. Band, choir, and musical theater are definitely well appreciated throughout the faculty and student body. Band is also a widely diverse group. The numerous different bands available at Ohio Northern provide talented students with the opportunities to perform in different settings and with different styles. Symphonic Band, Jazz Ensemble, Steel Drum Band, and Marching Band are available for students.

The marching band performs at different sporting events, including their well-known football half time shows. Band member, Andrew Kremyar, describes the year for the marching band: "The Ohio Northern University Marching Band had a very successful 2012 season! In addition to playing at all the home football games, ONUMB also performed in the Homecoming Parade, the Harvest and Herb Festival Parade, and at a special salute to military veterans. The band also traveled to Montreal, Quebec to play at a Montreal Alouettes football game and Italy to showcase the band's talents in Sorrento and Rome. We performed a variety

of music, including our two main shows, "Sound Dramas" and "Salute to Sinatra" in which we performed, respectively, "dramatic" music and Frank Sinatra tunes."

The bands have numerous traditions throughout the year, particularly the status of talent they possess year after year. This year, the Ohio All-State Honors Band, ONU Wind Orchestra and Symphonic Band performed at the 38th Spring Honors Band Festival. Kremyar continues on to say that the marching band has multiple fun traditions that they uphold every year. One fun tradition that the band participates in is Section Standout Day. Each section of the band picks a theme and dresses up for the day. They also spend a day teaching the freshmen the words to the ONU Fight Song so that they can all sing the song together during games. "We also take turns tossing various members of the marching band into the lake. The marching band has a number of long standing and unique traditions!" Each group on campus has special traditions that make them unique year after year, and the bands are no different.



# Choir Becomes A FAMILY

great opportunities bring choir together as a family

The University Singers, the concert choir at Ohio Northern, has been known for their impeccable sound and performance ability since its initiation in the early 70s. The choir is full of incredible talent that is gloriously showcased through their performances on and off campus. The University Singers have traveled to numerous places over the past few years in order to show off their skills. Some of these places include Memphis, Orlando, Myrtle Beach, and Athens, Georgia. The choir also takes the opportunities to join forces and perform with neighboring orchestras. Recently, they performed with Symphony Orchestras from Toledo, Lima, Perrysburg, and our own, Ohio Northern Orchestra.

Although these students are no stranger to travel, as summer gets underway, the University Singers head off on an exciting new adventure: a 38 day national tour. The singers are making stops in Nashville, New Orleans, the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, and Mount Rushmore to perform at schools, churches, and parks.

In taking the time to practice, travel, and perform with each other, the group undoubtedly spends enough time together to become a rather close

knit group. Choir member, Maria Fricano, comments saying that "University Singers is more than a choir, it's a family. We just love to sing and make music together, there's nothing like it! From day one of my freshman year, I knew University Singers was going to be one of the highlights of my college career."

In addition to finding the time to perform at their peak levels, the group also finds time to bond outside of choir practice. Fricano says that, "every year we have a picnic on the last day of class in the spring semester. We cook out, and sometimes we play games. This year we made a book of funny quotes, sayings and jokes we made throughout the year for us to remember throughout the years. It's always a fun time."

The University Singers and other choirs are great groups made up of very talented students that provide a different form of entertainment for the campus as well as providing the students with the opportunities to travel around the country and showcase their talents. Having this group is a great way for these students to have unique and thrilling experiences while still performing and representing our school.





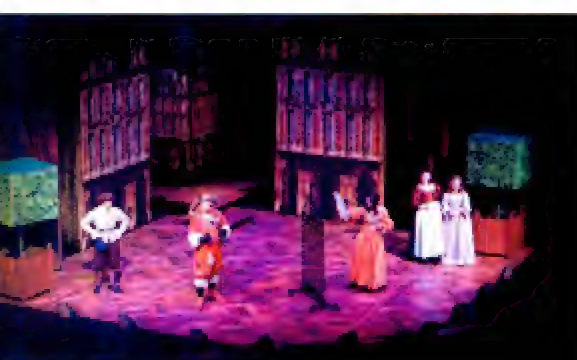
Left: Junior Donnie Allison smiles as he sings in the men's choir.  
Below: An ensemble rehearses before their annual concert.



Above: The University Singers pose for a silly picture.  
Left: The Women's Ensemble rehearses before a concert.



Right: A scene from "Nine."  
Below: A scene from "Reefer Madness."



Right: The cast of the Holiday Spectacular performs a Christmas favorite.

Above: A scene from "The Liar."

Middle Above: Pixel, Hayley Reynolds, and the crew sing a carol.





# Oscar Worthy PERFORMANCES

another successful year for onu's performing arts

The Freed Center for the Performing Arts has been home to the theater department since the beginning of ONU. It holds a time-honored tradition of providing the entertainment and excitement that the student body seeks and that the theater lovers yearn to partake in. Throughout the school year, the Freed Center brings back some previously well-liked guests to entertain the student body, one of which is Comedian Night, in which every year, ONU brings in new comedians that never fail to get the students laughing to near tears in their seats. Other legends that have graced the stage at the Freed Center include Carol Channing, Debbie Reynolds, and members from "Whose Line is it Anyway?"

The theater department at ONU continues to bring outstanding performances by some of Ohio Northern's most talented on stage students. Plays and musicals are held throughout the year in which the student body and faculty, as well as the citizens of Ada, are welcomed and encouraged to come see. Some of the shows and performances from the 2012-2013 school year included "Capitol Steps," "Romeo and Juliet," "Warriors Don't Cry," and a campus favorite, the "Holiday Spectacular" performed by Ohio Northern students every Christmas season.

Many of the ONU performances are Broadway inspired. In late April, Northern presented "Nine," a story highlighting Italian film director, Guido Contini, who lost his creative inspiration. The 24 member cast included some of the department's finest like sophomore musical theatre and music major Trevor Dörner along with sophomore musical theatre major Kayla Burress.

Early in the musical season, ONU chose an edgy route and performed "Reefer Madness," a musical comedy about clean cut kids choosing a not so clean cut lifestyle. Freshman Kelsey Barrett and senior Derek Brookens were two of the many talented students involved in the play.

Another crowd favorite was the production of "The Liar," a comedy following a bachelor on a quest through Paris. Contemporary American comic master David Ives crafts Pierre Corneille's 17th century classic into a memorable comedy. Senior Diego Sandino and sophomore Brady Miller were two of the many cast members.

Although the performances change from year to year, the theater department holds a high reputation for presenting wonderful entertainment to Ohio Northern's campus and provides a wonderful place for these talented actors, singers, musicians, and dancers to truly shine.



# Arts & Sciences AIM FOR SUCCESS

getty college of arts & sciences puts students first

The Getty College of Arts and Sciences offers students with numerous majors and opportunities to further their education and career paths. The college offers 50 different majors to students as pathways to countless job opportunities. Degrees available to students include a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science, and Bachelor of Nursing. The Getty College of Arts and Sciences is a very popular one amongst ONU students due to the great opportunities presented to them.

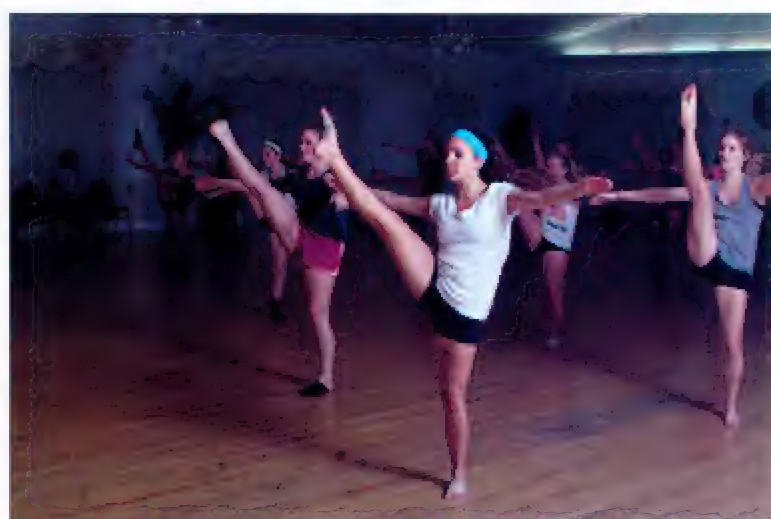
Dean Catherine Albrecht is an incredible advocate and mentor for the College of Arts and Sciences. She comments on the history of the college; "H.S. Lehr had a vision of a college in which students would gain a solid foundation in the liberal arts while also preparing for their professional careers. That remains a key part of the mission of the Getty College of Arts and Sciences today." The traditions of this college help provide the students with opportunities to present their work and knowledge and continue to grow in their education with the help of their professors. Dean Albrecht agrees that

"Close faculty-student relationships are a tradition that we value. Faculty members mentor individual students and foster a climate in which students learn and thrive. Students had opportunities to apply and deepen their classroom learning at conferences, in the community, and through professional internships."

Every year, the Getty College of Arts and Sciences gives students unique opportunities to learn how to present their work and knowledge in professional settings, such as this year's ninth annual Student Research Colloquium. Over 130 students presented group and individual presentations on the work that they have done in their fields throughout the school year. The students put their heart and soul into their education and their research proposals in order to present an image of professionalism and to show the results of all their hard work.

The students and faculty members of the College of Arts and Sciences make it a priority every year to promote the students and showcase their work. The faculty ensures the students that they are available for mentorship and make an effort to be a significant part of their students' education, helping them become the best they can be in their personal fields.





Above: Students perform a dance in one of the University's many dance classes.

Above Middle: The C-SPAN election bus found its way to Ada, Ohio.

Top: An occupational therapy major helps a patient.

Left: Students in Professor Brit Rowe's drawing class pin up their master pieces.

Main: Biochemistry major Joanne Berry works in the lab.



Below: Chelsea Peters serves a hot breakfast to students passing by.  
Right: P3 Sandra Thorarensen works in Dr. Olah's research lab.



Above: Senator Cliff Hite speaks to NCPA during one of their meetings.  
Right: Mahsa Dehleh Hossein scored a rotation at Johns Hopkins.





# Pharmacy Gains RECOGNITION

the tradition of excellence continues for pharmacy students

The Pharmacy program at Ohio Northern is one of unique structure, providing students with a unique 0-to-6 PharmD program in which the students receive direct admittance to a 6 year doctorate program. A majority of the students at ONU are pharmacy majors and it is easily one of the most popular majors on campus. The high reputation of the Pharmacy program creates a rather large attraction of prospective pharmacy students due to incredible faculty, the convenience of the 0-6 program, state-of-the-art laboratory settings, and a tradition of success throughout the program.

The incredible education received by the students in the College of Pharmacy is definitely the longest standing tradition of the college. Dean of Pharmacy, Dean Sprague comments on the status of the Pharmacy program at Ohio Northern; "Through the years, the college has preserved a tradition of excellence. College of Pharmacy alumni, whether they graduated 100 years ago, 50 years ago, 10 years ago, or one year ago, all received a quality and personable education, delivered by dedicated individuals, which prepared them to make a meaningful contribution to society. They all had transformative experiences during their college career in a family-like environment."

Each year students, faculty, and organizations from the Raabe College of Pharmacy are recognized for their achievements in the field. Fifth year student Joshua Rouch was awarded the Cardinal Health Pharmacy Scholarship Award and was later honored at the annual Retail Business Conference in Seattle. In April, Northern's National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) Business Plan Team won the Ohio Pharmacists Association's third annual Innovative Student Business Plan competition. Bethany Cuiksa, Holly Kearney, Ross Robinson, and Nicole Sivak were all members of the winning team. On a larger scale, the ONU chapter of NCPA was recognized at the NCPA national convention. The chapter won three awards including the 2012 Legislative Advocacy Award.

The College of Pharmacy prides itself on producing well-respected pharmacists and providing the students with the best education possible. Without the outstanding faculty that year after year produces well-respected young pharmacists, the school would not have quite the same reputability as it deserves. The tradition of excellence is one that will be continued over the years, providing Ohio Northern with a substantial selling point for its College of Pharmacy.



# Engineering Brings OPPORTUNITY

engineering students are recognized for their success

The Ohio Northern University T.J. Smull College of Engineering offers students with vast opportunities in the growing field. In an effort to inspire creativity and support innovation, Northern has developed a curriculum that sets ONU apart and is centered on excellence. The College of Engineering is founded upon four core values: personal relationships, engagement, opportunity, and development & success of individuals. With a foundation of these core values, it is clear that the College of Engineering not only strives for excellence but also creates a clear path to excellence.

Here at Northern, the faculty and staff strive to provide all of the tools necessary for students to find success. The college as a whole is based upon opportunity and growth. Every program option whether it's computer, mechanical, electrical, civil, or computer science is accredited by either the Engineering Accreditation Commission or Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET.

Students throughout the year displayed their excellence through achievements in competitions and class projects. Just this year, ONU adopted a new program entitled Engineering Projects In Community Service. Better known as EPICS, is a program where students have hands on opportunities to design, build, and enact real systems and products. This program is one of 21 throughout the world. This year EPICS focused on three projects: building a replica of the

Mars Rover Curiosity for the Armstrong Air & Space Museum, reimbursing a concrete base for historical Civil War cannons, and upgrading the village of Ada's website. The rover replica was a success and even gained local news coverage when it was presented to the museum.

Many engineering organizations were nationally recognized for their excellence as well. The concrete canoe team placed second at the 2013 American Society of Civil Engineers' regional concrete canoe contest at Michigan Tech. The team then qualified for the national race. The American Society of Mechanical Engineers created a human powered vehicle and placed in the top 5 at the HPVC East competition at Ferris State University. The goal of this challenge was to provide students with a chance to utilize their skills in sound engineering design principles while developing practical transportation alternatives. The Society of Automotive Engineering better known as SAE finished 9th out of 100 teams at the national endurance competition in Rochester, N.Y.

It may be robotic but it's still a sport! In early April, the ONU Robotic Football team took on division I rival Notre Dame in the King Horn Sports Complex. For the first time in five tries, ONU defeated the Fighting Irish 49-37 in front of a huge home audience.

It is clear that excellence is a common theme at the T.J. Smull College of Engineering. With top of the line faculty, facilities, and students, the college of engineering paves the road to excellence.





Left: Students listen to a lecture.

Below: The EPICS Team consisting of Rebekah Douglass, Alec Flemming, Tyler Germann, Courtney Horstman, Kurt Meyer, Kathryn Skobrak, Elizabeth Spingold, and Andrew Woodruff develop their replica of the Mars Rover.



Left: The Robotic Football Team warms up before taking on rival Notre Dame.

Above: The ASME human powered vehicle races past the competition in Big Rapids, Michigan.



Right: Members of AMA including Ally Sowinski, Michelle Seislove, Brent Wolfzorn, and Vicki Moga pose in New Orleans with advisor Randy Ewing.

Below: Darren Miller, Jacob Estep, and Amber Dailey make the famous O-H-I-O using the Washington Monument as the "I." After the competition, SAM members explored downtown Washington D.C.



Above: Senior Wilson Wu meets with fellow classmates to work on a group project in the Atrium.

Right: Business students of all classes meet in the Atrium for the annual Dicke Job Fair where students talk to potential employers about internship and job opportunities.





# A National Year FOR THE DCBA

the college and students gain national recognition

The James F. Dicke College of Business Administration proudly stands as one of the nation's top business schools. Bloomberg Businessweek ranked DCBA as no. 62 for the nation's undergraduate business programs. This ranking is a great improvement from its 72nd ranking just three years ago. The college is also ranked 3rd in the state overall and 14th nationally for academic quality. According to Dean Jim Fenton, "This ranking is a reflection of the high quality of work and effort done by our students, faculty, and staff."

The 2012-2013 school year was a year of judgment for the College of Business. In 2003 DCBA was accredited by the AACSB. After auditing the college, DCBA was reaccredited. This accreditation has been earned by less than 5% of the world's business programs. "It takes a great deal of commitment and determination to earn and maintain AACSB accreditation. Business schools must not only meet specific standards of excellence, but their deans, faculty, and professional staff must make a commitment to ongoing continuous improvement to ensure that the institution will continue to deliver the higher quality of education to students," Robert D. Reid, executive vice president and chief accreditation officer of AACSB International said.

Like the other colleges at Northern, the College of Business defines itself through a distinct mission

that will guide its students to excellence. The curriculum is carefully laid out with emphasis on creating tomorrow's leaders focused on three main characteristics: ethical, entrepreneurial, and engaged.

DCBA provides students with numerous opportunities at school, throughout the U.S., and around the globe. With a student-centered curriculum with a focus on hands on learning and technical proficiency, Northern is able to mold well-rounded business students ready to take on the corporate world. Throughout the school year, numerous academic organizations traveled throughout the United States for national competitions. The Society for the Advancement of Management traveled to the nation's capital to compete in a case competition. The two teams of five prepared for months prior to presenting their case on Netflix to a panel of judges. This trip was an opportunity for students to network, gain experience, and explore other parts of the country. One of the teams took home the third place trophy from the Joseph Bush Division. Similarly, the American Marketing Association travelled down to New Orleans for their national competition.

Whether students are studying in the classroom or presenting a case at the nation's capital, they are a representation of the excellence derived from the James F. Dicke College of Business.



# Recognition of ACHIEVEMENT

academic excellence is recognized campus wide at honors day

For years on end, Ohio Northern takes a day to celebrate academic achievement. This year's honors day continued the tradition of ONU's colleges and departments recognizing students and faculty for their outstanding academic performances. Honors day is a day filled with pride, accomplishment, and most importantly excellence.

Over the course of the day, over 40 undergraduate academic departments and honoraria's carry out ceremonies dedicated to acknowledgement and awards. Each department holds their own personalized Honors Day ceremony specific to their students. Business students partaking in Honors Day met in the Dicke Forum whereas engineering students met in the Chapel and political science students met in Presser.

Honors Day is filled with traditions. This year, the engineering college partook in its 43rd engineering ring ceremony where students were inducted into the Order of the Engineer, which was established in 1970. This ring symbolizes a new turn in an engineer's life. They are no longer training but rather practicing through experience with a sense of pride and responsibility. The Dicke College of Business started a new tradition this year and named a faculty member as Faculty Member of the Year. Students

nominated faculty members online and after submissions were looked over, students voted according to a list of finalists. This year, accounting instructor, Matthew Phillips took home the title. Known for his musical classes and fun anecdotes, it was no surprise that Professor Phillip's was honored. Although it was the first year, this award will soon become an annual tradition looked forward to by all DCBA members.

Students of all majors and classes were then welcomed to attend Convocation, a ceremony similar to commencement. Professors from each department filed in in an academic profession dressed in formal robes. After a few musical treats from the band and an opening remark from the President, Dr. M.J. "Sunny" Zank, a retiring professor of music, took the stage. As the featured speaker she chose the topic "Mentor, Mentor, Pass It On." Later in the ceremony, senior marketing major Caroline Mangan took the stage as the featured student speaker. Following Convocation, students and their families attended a luncheon in field house.

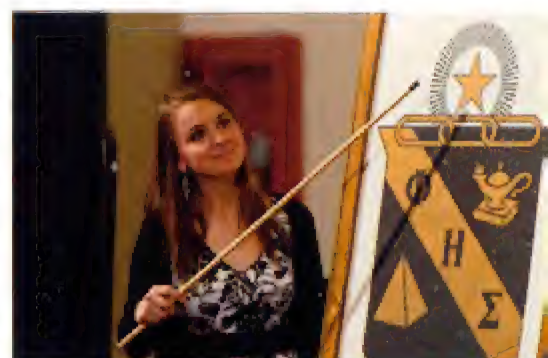
Honors Day is a timeless tradition that reminds the university, the students, and the staff that they are appreciated. It is a day that reminds all, that ONU is centered upon excellence.





Left: The band plays as President Dan DiBiasio prepared to address the audience at convocation.

Below: The Phi Eta Sigma president outlines the organization's core principles.



Left: Freshman Chad Smith receives a certificate as he joins an academic honorary.

Above: A family enjoys their time together at the reception following convocation.

Middle Above: Alicia Palivoda receives her nursing pin.



Right: Andy Blust, Nikolas Beatty, and Laura Avino applaud after Dean Sprague's closing statements.

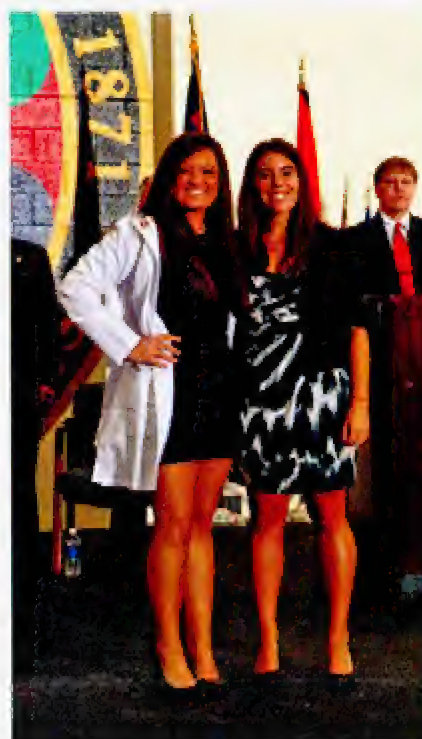
Below: Nicole Pottkotter smiles during the ceremony.



Above: The P3 class of 2016 poses for a group photo with their white coats.

Right: Lucy Leiendecker poses with her mentor.

Far Right: Dr. Kelly Shields presents Taylor Reed with his white coat.





# A Pharmaceutical MILESTONE

third year pharmacy students earn their white coats

November 10, 2012 marked a monumental day for each third year pharmacy student. After three years and countless hours of studying and shadowing, they finally received their white coats.

To most, the White Coat Ceremony appears to be just another awards banquet filled with monotone speeches and a long list of names to be read. However, to these students it is much more. It is the day that marks them being one step closer to becoming a pharmacist. With a coat over their shoulders and oath in hand, reality hits. In just three short years, this coat they are awarded will be worn to their first day of work as a certified pharmacist.

Before the ceremony, each student had the opportunity to choose a mentor. This mentor needed to be a certified pharmacist, a P5, or a P6 student. Some chose a friend, a professor, a family member. Those who did not choose a mentor were given one by the pharmacy department. It was these mentors that officially handed the anxious P3's their well-deserved white coats.

After arriving at the sports center, Dean Sprague gave a welcoming address. As each name was announced, they walked across the stage, were handed their 'Code of Professionalism,' and finally received their white coat. After each student received their coat, they read an oath. Following the ceremony there was a reception for all.

Unfortunately not all third year pharmacy students could partake in this special day. Due to the National Tournament, members of the men's and women's soccer teams were faced with a decision to either attend white coat or attend their game. For those who missed the ceremony, their coats were awarded to them later in the week. Although it was in a different setting, the coat was still a milestone; a token of their journey.

The White Coat Ceremony is yet another Northern tradition that is highly anticipated by each P3. An ONU pharmacist's white coat is truly a symbol of their commitment to the profession and their future patients. A tradition of excellence continues.



# The Importance Of LEADERSHIP

the 15th annual presidential leadership dessert honors students

Each year, the leaders of Ohio Northern are sought out to be recognized for their outstanding efforts and acts of leadership on campus. The Office of Student Involvement and Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honorary, have sponsored the annual President's Leadership Dessert since 1999. The DeBow Freed Award for Outstanding Student Leadership, the Alice-Kay Hilderbrand Student Organization of the Year Award, and other leadership awards for multiple organizations on campus are announced at this prestigious occasion.

This year, the honorees at the President's Leadership Dessert include R. Tyler Reams, Amy Tabar, Tyler Hertenstein, Kelsi Rupersburg, Eric Ambos, Daniella Chambers, Zachary Esterline, and Tera Parrella. The winners of the Alice-Kay Hilderbrand Student Organization of the Year Award were the Student Planning Committee who received first place, Habitat for Humanity who

was the runner-up, and the Student-Society of Health Systems Pharmacists who were the second runner-ups.

Winning one of these prominent awards represents the dedication that these particular students and organizations put into their leadership roles on campus. Without the efforts of these well-rounded and hard working groups and individuals the campus of Ohio Northern would not thrive in the exceptional way that it does. We are able to grow as individuals, clubs and organizations, and as a campus because of the work put into making these groups great. Ohio Northern is a place where students are helped to develop and mature as human beings; the opportunities to demonstrate leadership skills are abundant on campus leading to significant growth. The President's Leadership Dessert is a time-honored and well-respected tradition that allows us to honor those who work to make our campus great.





Left: Jaclyn Purgert, president of Relay for Life speaks with the First Lady.  
Below: The PLD Committee poses for a group shot.  
Main: Student Senate President Eric Ambros sits with Dr. Freed.

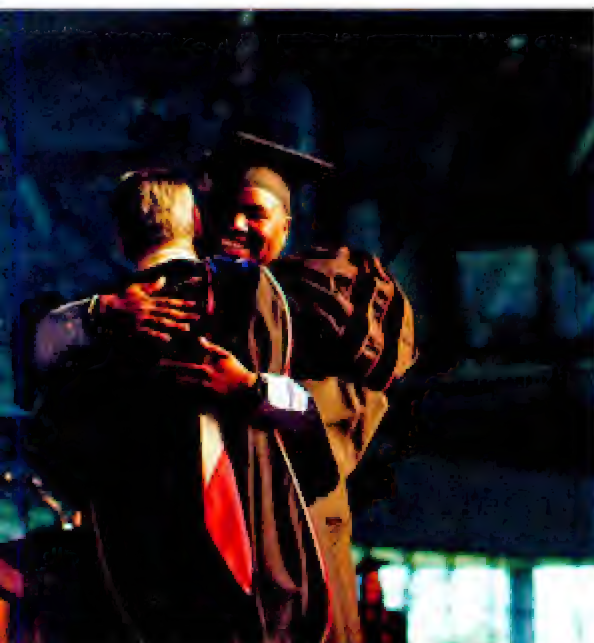
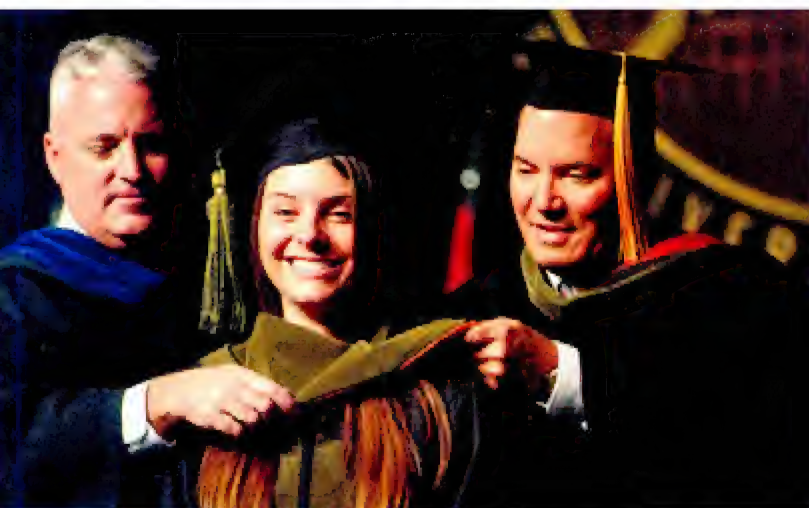


Above Middle: Sara McAllister announces an award.  
Above: Marcus Lowe strikes up a conversation.



Right: Pharmacy grads prepare to throw their caps after a long 6 year wait for graduation.

Below: A new pharmacist, Denise Charboneau, enters the workforce.  
Middle: Terryn Turner hugs President DiBasio after accepting his diploma.



Above: Courtney Hetrick, the student speaker, addresses the 2013 graduating class.

Right: Cory Dobkins accepts his graduation sash from Dean Fenton.





# A Final Farewell GRADUATION

seniors gather for one last celebration: graduation

College commencement is the most highly anticipated event every year. It is the crescendo to a college experience. In that moment, as an individual walks across the stage and accepts their diploma they transform from a student into an alumni. For some, their college careers began a mere four years ago. For pharmacy students, this diploma comes after six years of dedication. No matter what your major or concentration, graduation is a moment that will never be forgotten.

The 2013 commence marked the end of academic careers and the beginning of professional careers. Robert Manning, Mars Exploration Program chief engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena California, spoke on behalf of the graduating class. Later on in the presentation, senior electrical engineer Courtney Hetrick took the podium as the student speaker.

Commencement at Northern is based upon tradition. It is one of few institutions where the University President personally hands each graduate their diploma. In addition to awarding diplomas, commencement was filled with

musical treats from groups on campus. Senior music education and communication major Mark Blowers led the singing of the Ohio Northern University Hymn. The symphonic band assisted by featured violinists and vocalists performed other musical pieces. Ms. Miriam Stoner a senior music performance major opened the ceremony with the National Anthem. Each performance was extremely memorable.

At the conclusion of the commencement, each college held a special reception for the recent graduates along with their family and friends. Commencement never fails to bring joy and excitement to the university. This university tradition dedicated to celebrating the accomplishments of ONU students continues to rank as the most anticipated event on campus. Although the ceremony itself has continually evolved over time due to cultural changes, the underlying idea of rewarding degrees remains a memorable experience for each graduate and their loved ones. It is a tradition that will live on forever.





# LAW





# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

The Claude E. Pettit College of Law was originally founded in 1885 as the second oldest of nine law schools in the state of Ohio. In fact, it is the founding member of the Ohio League of Law Schools. Over a century ago, more than a school was founded. 1885 marked the beginning of a new tradition; a tradition that can still be seen in the College of Law today: The Tradition of Excellence.

The Claude E. Pettit College of Law is dedicated to providing students with the "ultimate law school experience." Although the school's small size is evident, it rather uses that statistic to the school's advantage. With a 12:1 student faculty ratio, students have the opportunity to work closely with nationally recognized faculty members.

Excellence is not only visible through top of the line faculty, but also through state and nation wide recognition. In February 2013, Ohio Northern Law proved its excellence as it received a 100% first time pass rate for the Ohio Bar. This rate was a mere 20% higher than the 80% statewide average.

The College of Law continued to shine when the American Bar Association Section on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar reported that for the second straight year, ONU placed 2nd in placement of graduates in jobs requiring a law degree in comparison to other Ohio schools. According to the association, 66.7% of 2012 graduates were placed in jobs requiring a law degree. The National Law Journal announced that ONU ranked 9th in the nation for job placement in government and public interest positions with a 22.8% placement rate.



# Law Continues EXCELLENCE

annual events & prestigious speakers bring opportunity for students

For the last 128 years, the Claude E. Pettit College of Law has proved its dominance not only in Ohio but nationally as well. For students, it is an honor and privilege to be a part of such a prestigious institution. Each year, students are faced with new challenges and opportunities that place them above students in other colleges around the nation.

The College of Law held its 19th annual Public Interest Auction. This program and auction raises money to allow students to pursue opportunities in public service. These students strive to make a difference in society by working with the underserved as public interest attorneys. Because these internships are often unpaid, the program provides more than \$85,000 in scholarships to committed students. This year's auction raised over \$9,000, which will allow 9 current students to pursue their summer dreams.

The College of Law held numerous other events throughout the year including the 36th Annual Law Review Symposium, "Congress on the Red Carpet: Legislation Impacting the Entertainment and Social Media Industries." In March, Gordon S. Wood, a

Pulitzer Prize Winner, spoke to the college about "The Supreme Court and the Uses of History."

This year also marked the beginning of a new era. At the school year's closing, President DiBiasio announced that Richard Bales, Director of the Chase Center for Excellence in Advocacy at Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law, will be the next dean of ONU's Pettit College of Law. He will replace Stephen C. Veltri who served as interim dean for the 2012-2013 academic school year. Bales, a Cornell Law School grad in 1993, brings promise and opportunity to the college. As an advocate for innovative learning and strong bar performances, he will surely lead students toward excellence.

The ONU College of Law continues to show its dedication to success and the tradition of excellence. Year after year the college proves that through hard work, dedication, and support systems, nothing is impossible. Like the National Jurist said, ONU Law will continue to prove that it is one of the most innovative law schools in the nation.





Left: A student asks a question during a lecture.  
Below: Students gather in the lecture hall for a presentation.



Above: Students discuss a case in the law library.  
Left: A group of students listen to a lecture.



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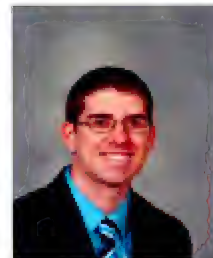
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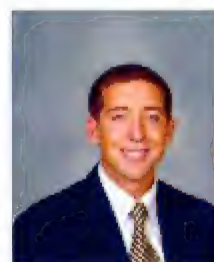
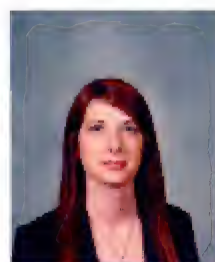
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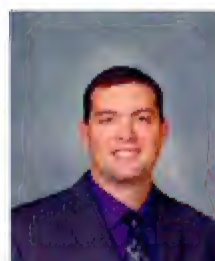
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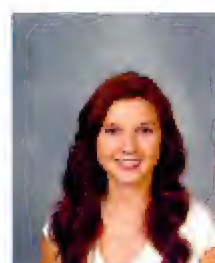
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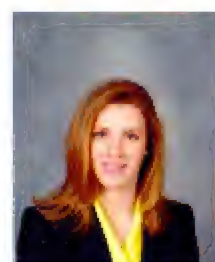
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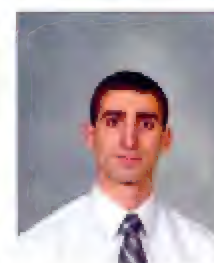
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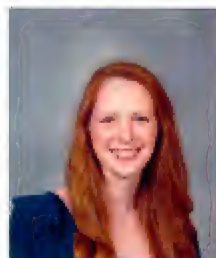
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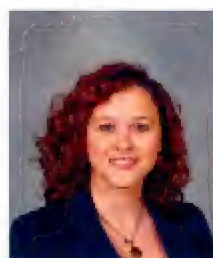
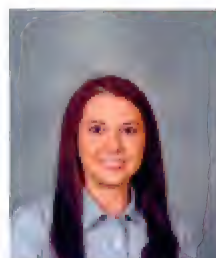
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Below: A recent graduate has her moment of glory on the stage.  
Right: Students listen to the numerous speakers.





# The Hard Work PAYS OFF

law students receive their diplomas and become alumni

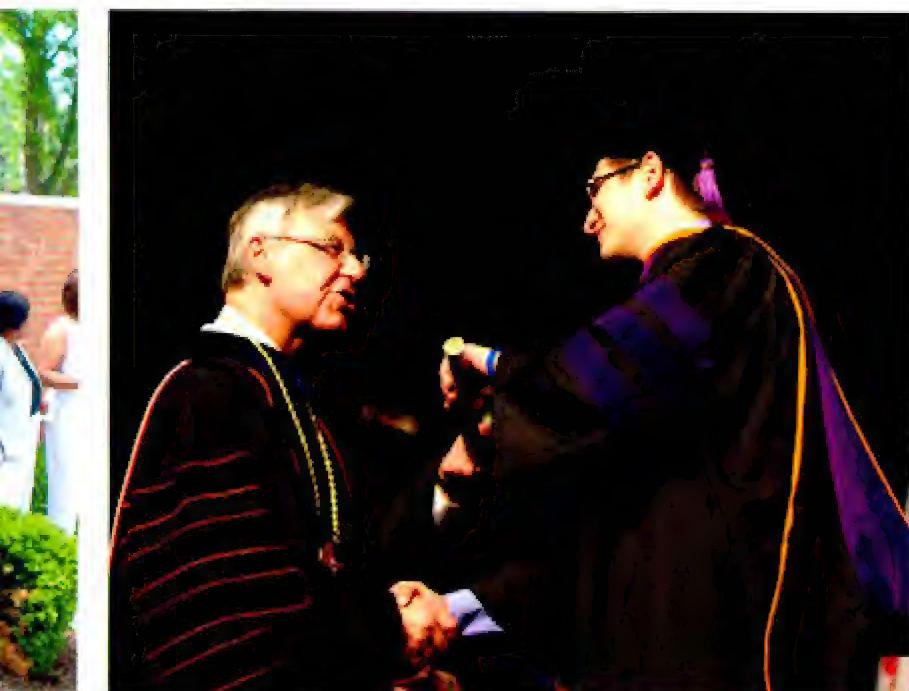
On May 19, 2013, a new group of aspiring lawyers emerged from the Law Graduate Program at Ohio Northern. The ceremony took place in the Sports Center, turning the King Horn field house into a ceremony room filled with the joy of the students who have finally made it through the rigorous law program at Northern.

Elise N. McQuain gave the student remarks at the beginning of the ceremony, followed by the invocation given by Mr. Ryan Regal. Ohio Northern was pleased to welcome U.S. Congressman, Tom Reed as the honored speaker at the 2013 Commencement Ceremony. Reed, a 1996 graduate of the Pettit College of Law, represented the 29th District of New York in a special election beginning in 2010.

After the ceremony, a reception was held for the graduates and their families and

friends in the College of Law building as an additional form of celebration for all their hard work over the last few years of intensive studying and application.

May 19th will always be a pinnacle day for these students, knowing that on this day, all their hard work has paid off and they were officially handed that momentous diploma. The law program at Ohio Northern is an intense and rigorous program but all these students can agree that their efforts were well worth it once they got to walk across that stage and begin to take their education to new jobs and opportunities. As they leave ONU and begin their professional careers, they will forever look back and remember this moment. Although their days at ONU are over, their educational foundation created here at ONU will forever be represented through their hard work and aspirations.



Left: President DiBiasio hands a diploma to a recent graduate.  
2 Left: Students pose for a post-grad photo.  
Far Left: The graduation ceremony.





# PEOPLE





# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

The tradition of excellence runs deeper than the university level. Students strive to achieve excellence on a personal level as well. Whether it is through hobbies, athletics, or academics, students at ONU seek excellence through commitment and hard work.

Each year, students are recognized for their personal achievements both school related and within their personal lives. In the past year, ONU was honored to have two students recognized as winners in state pageants. Elissa McCracken took home the Miss Ohio crown and competed in the Miss America Pageant in Las Vegas, Nevada. The following summer, Rebecca Yeh was crowned as Miss Minnesota. These two ladies exerted countless hours of preparation and dedication in order to attain these titles.

Students sought excellence through personal academic endeavors as well. Fourth year pharmacy student Victoria Pennington was awarded the Gloria Francke Scholarship as part of the 2013 American Pharmacists Association Foundation Student Scholarship Program. She served as president of the ONU chapter of APhA-ASP and was chosen due to her exceptional leadership skills & academic involvement.

In addition to the classroom, numerous students excelled in athletics as well. For senior soccer player Nate Bascom, the ONU soccer field has become his second home. In his final season, he not only met but exceeded expectations. Bascom was named an OAC Forward of the Year, First Team All OAC, CoSIDA Academic All-American, and First Team All-American.



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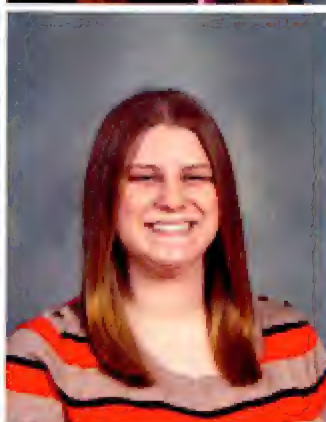
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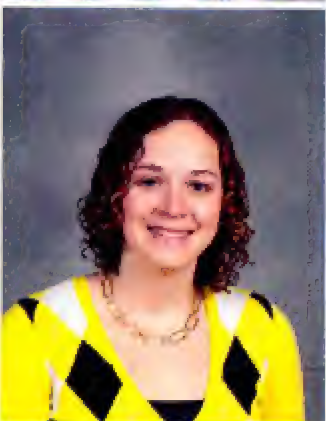
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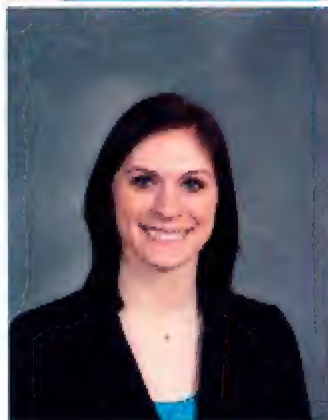
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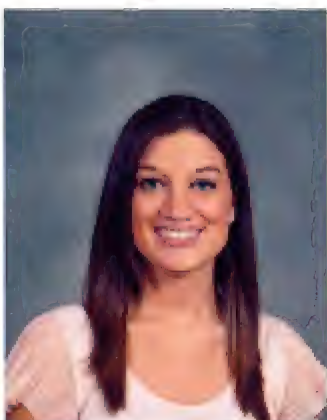
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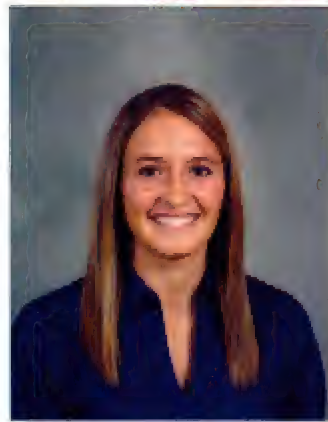
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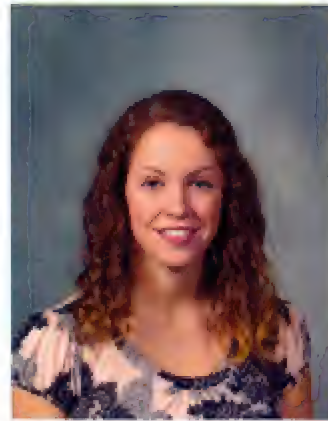
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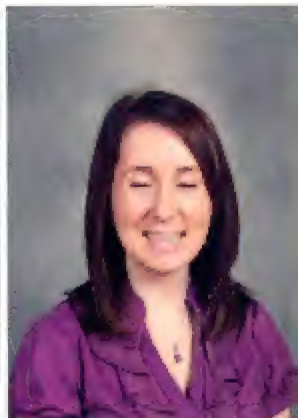
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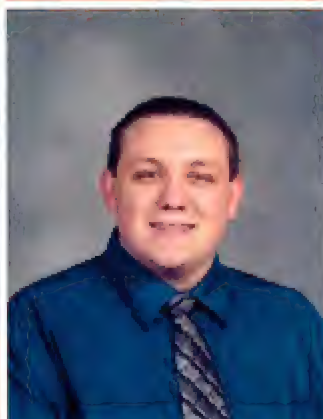
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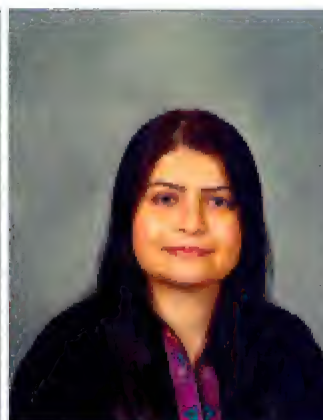
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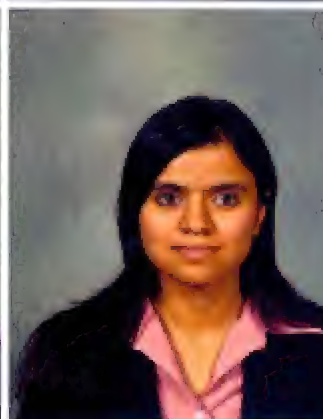




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# International POLAR BEARS

students from around the world choose onu

For many students, Ada is just a small university town. For international students, it is their first taste of the United States. Ohio Northern University is proud to be an institution dedicated to bringing in students from all over the world. The university is currently home away from home to students from numerous countries including Japan, Korea, China, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Canada to just name a few.

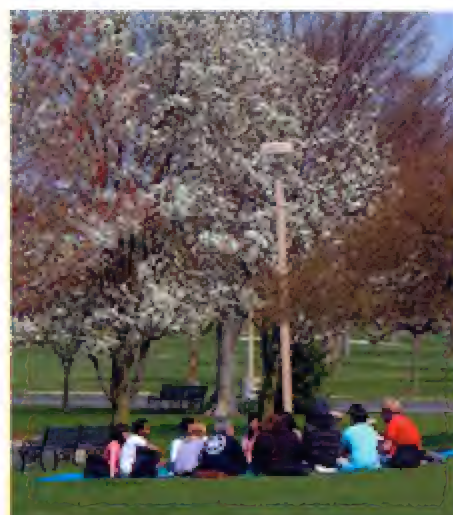
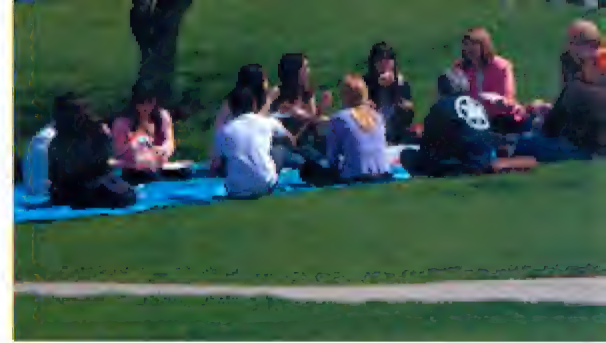
With accredited programs in five different colleges, ONU is an ideal experience for many international and local students. ONU provides its international students with numerous opportunities that allow them to grow as an individual and as a professional. The university offers numerous scholarships to international students to help fulfill financial needs. The Dean's Global Scholarship awards students with at least \$17,000. Other scholarships include the Dean's Distinction Scholarship, Talent Awards, and Visionary Scholarships.

Northern provides international students with numerous opportunities to get involved. International clubs and organizations such as the World Student Organization allow international students to meet other students from around the world. Each year the World Student organization, WSO, holds a Multicultural Fair in McIntosh. Students set up booths showcasing their home country. Booths provide students with samples of their native cuisine while local favorite, El Campo, caters the event. This year, students from Bluffton University taught everyone a dance called "Azonto." The night was filled with fun as students learned about each other's backgrounds while enjoying great food and entertainment. This event truly unites the campus each year.

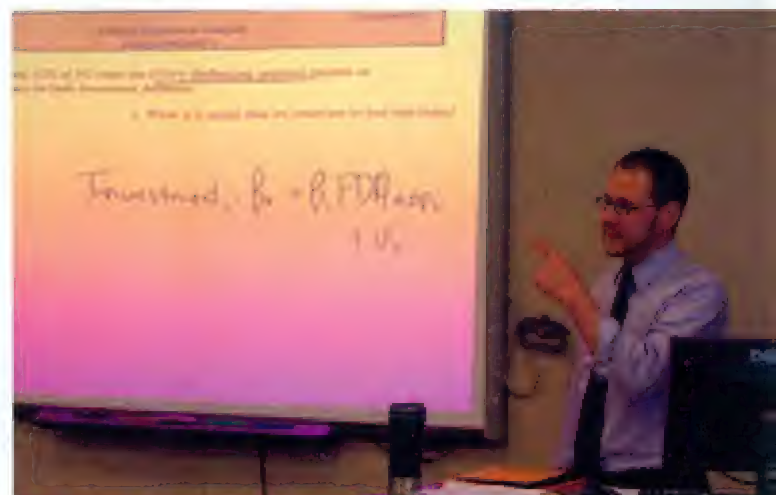
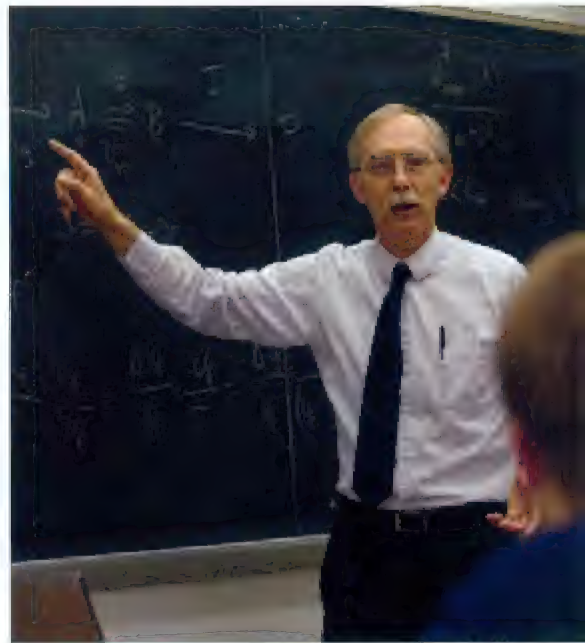
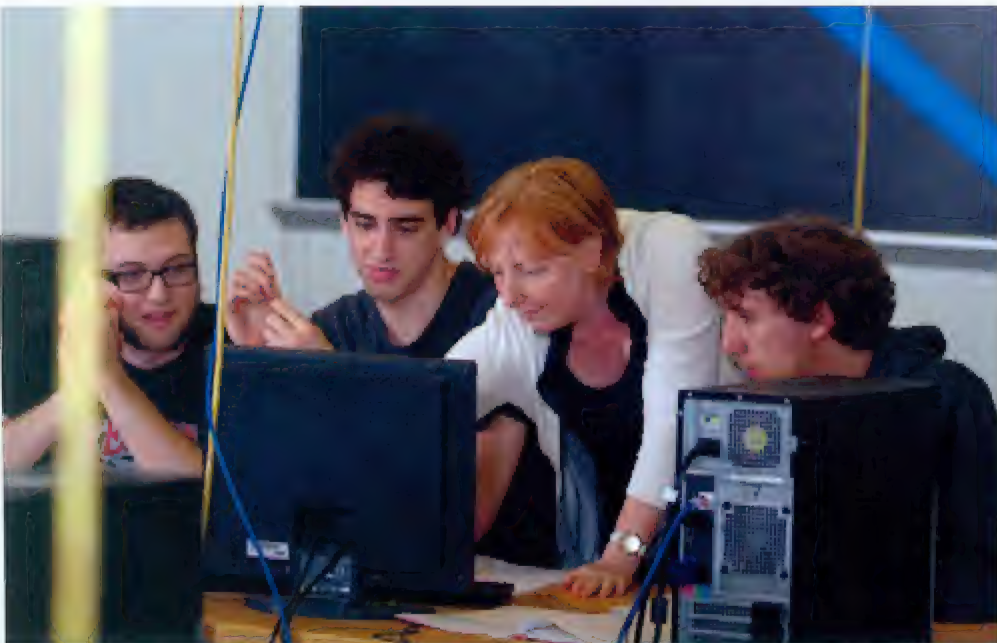
Year after year, international students settle into their new home at ONU. Although their stay is short, ONU will forever be a part of their lives. Because of these students, ONU is known worldwide.







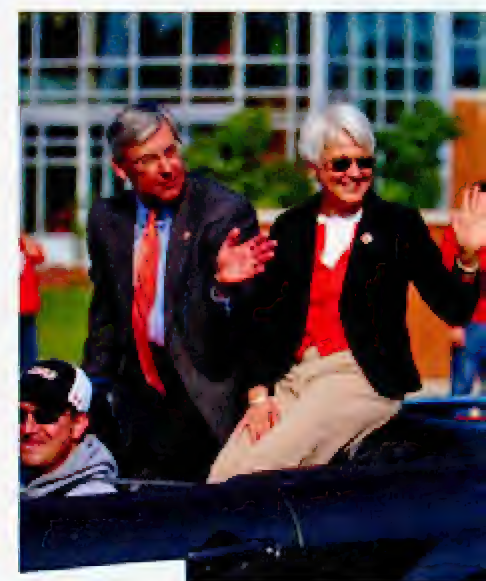














# He is More Than a PRESIDENT

the continued excellence in university leadership

For the last 142 years since Henry Solomon Lehr first founded Northwestern Ohio Normal School, the eventual Ohio Northern University, ONU has been graced with superb leadership. With presidents like Mr. Lehr himself, Dr. McIntosh, Dr. Freed, and Dr. Baker this small town university created a name for itself on a national scale.

With their "sophomore" year under their belts, President Dan DiBiasio and First Lady Chris Burns DiBiasio have followed in the footsteps of those before them and proved that leadership makes all the difference.

According to ABC Action News, university presidents around the country have a universal job description: to provide and execute the university with a long-range strategic vision. Although President DiBiasio fulfills that job description, his duties around campus, in the community, and nationwide do not stop there.

On many campuses, the president's role is behind the scenes, unseen, unheard, unknown. For some universities, students couldn't point the president out from a crowd. At others, the president is merely a speaker at graduation. Here at ONU, that is not the case. President DiBiasio is more than a president; he is Ohio Northern University.

The day doesn't end for President DiBiasio when he leaves his executive office in Lehr. As a leader, husband, athletic coordinator, and university representative, his day is merely just beginning. Rain or shine, President DiBiasio supports all athletic teams. Whether he is shooting the gun to start a cross-country meet or traveling down to

San Antonio to tailgate with parents before the Men's Soccer NCAA Final, he is always the Polar Bears' number one fan. He makes an effort to not only cheer for the athletes at the games but also call them by name and congratulate them for their accomplishments while walking to classes.

While he's not meeting with other leaders, boards, and faculty, President DiBiasio is creating and maintaining relationships with the alumni who keep the university afloat. Throughout the year, the President and First Lady travel around the country to speak at alumni events. This year during spring break, the duo traveled throughout Florida to show that even alumni hundreds of miles away are remembered and greatly appreciated by the university they call home. They also traveled to Chicago, New York, and Washington D.C.

At the end of the day, President DiBiasio is a normal man, a husband, and a father. Students see him walking through the tundra hand in hand with his wife as they take their dogs for a stroll. Other times he's learning to ballroom dance with the First Lady at the business fundraiser or making the game-winning spike at the annual Founder's Mud Volleyball Tournament.

For each student, President DiBiasio is the first voice you hear as he welcomes the incoming class at Freshman Orientation and the last voice you hear as he congratulates that same class for graduating four years later. At the end of a student's senior year, Dan DiBiasio is more than a president. He is a friend, a role model, and a superb representation of ONU.



# The Ideal Mr. ONU BILL ROBINSON

a univeristy icon dedicates his life to serving his alma mater

Nothing says tradition and dedication quite like Bill Robinson and his legacy here at Ohio Northern University. After earning his bachelor's degree here in 1961, Bill Robinson better known as "Mr. ONU," dedicated his life to serving his alma mater. Mrs. Ann Donnelly Hamilton said it best, "The name Bill Robinson has become synonymous with Ohio Northern University. In his 50 plus years of service, there are few who pass through these walls who do not know his name."

According to Ann, Bill has held numerous positions on campus throughout the years. Bill's first position at ONU was as the assistant football coach. From that position onward, he continually progressed through the ranks. Bill served as the Dean of Men in what would be the residence life of today's world. In 1983 he served as the Director of Alumni Affairs. Throughout his career he also served as the Director of Intramurals, Sports Information Director, and Director of McIntosh Center & Student Activities. In all honesty, Bill Robinson has done it all. Truly, they once even made him chaplain for the day.

Bill's latest positions landed him in the Lehr Office. As the Executive Assistant to the President and Interim Vice President of Development and University Relations, Bill met the needs of President

DiBiasio with issues in advancement and school policy. Bill's position will be filled by the one and only Ann Donnelly Hamilton, former Alumni Director. Since her years attending ONU, Ann has looked to Bill as a mentor in life and her profession. She comments, "Bill's influence as the Alumni Director is without comparison, as are his year's of service to Ohio Northern University. Bill was my first boss, not only at Ohio Northern University, but as a professional. He taught me so very much about alumni relations, working with people and too many things to relay in just a few sentences. He taught me, and many others, many things about life in general and that, above all, people are the most important aspect of any career."

To Bill Robinson, Ohio Northern has become a home. In fact, he and his wife Gretchen lived in an apartment on the ONU campus when they were first married. Although Bill will no longer work at Ohio Northern, he will forever be an integral part of the university. Through his annual golf outing following Alumni Weekend and the William L. Robinson Young Alumni of the Year Award, his name will forever bring honor and pride to ONU. Donnelly concludes, "Bill is a legend; he is irreplaceable and all he has done for ONU will never be forgotten and his legacy never matched."









# GREEK LIFE





# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

The Greek community was first established in 1905. Today, ONU is the home of five fraternities and four sororities. Northern Greek Life provides students with the opportunity to build lifelong relationships while developing leadership and communication skills. The Greek community governed by the Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council, strives to make a difference as each individual is held to extremely high standards. Their dedication to excellence can be seen in their service to the community and dedication in the classroom.

ONU Greek Life values scholarship, service, philanthropy, leadership, and brotherhood, which can be seen in their dedication to the university year after year. When it comes service, the Greek community strives to make a difference. In the academic year the Greek community logged 4,427.5 hours of community service. Between all 9 chapters, \$26,416.31 was donated to organizations throughout the community. Zeta Tau Alpha brought in the largest sum at \$8,176.14.

The Greek community not only meets but also exceeds expectations in the classroom. It was yet another superb year for academics as 32% of all members were named to the Dean's List. 40 members even maintained a flawless 4.0 GPA. The brothers of Phi Delta Chi ranked with the highest chapter cumulative GPA for the year with 3.27.

Greek Life is so dedicated to excellence that it implemented the Standard of Excellence Program in 2007 to create positive reinforcement for individual members, chapters, and the community as a whole.







# Accepting a Bid & A GREEK FAMILY

traditions among greek chapters make bid day memorable for all

Although all the fraternities and sororities have fun activities planned throughout the year, one very special day that everyone always looks forward to is Bid Day. Bid Day is the day in which those who have rushed for Greek Life find out which sorority or fraternity they have been invited to join. Leading up to Bid Day is a period of rushing. Jacob Schwerer of Sig Ep shares the importance behind rushing: "As is tradition for almost all fraternities rush is the time when the brothers get to know the men who may potentially become our brothers for life. We look for men who will hopefully make the brotherhood proud, and those who will live their lives by our Cardinal Principles of Virtue, Diligence, and Brotherly Love." After rushing is completed, each fraternity and sorority takes part in their special activities and traditions that make their chapter's Bid Day special and unique.

Junior Delta Zeta member, Colleen Kerger, mentions that "Bid Day is like Christmas morning for sororities and fraternities. It's the day pledges find out which sorority they are in and sisters find out which girls will be joining their lifelong friendship. [Also,] it is the first day when the recruitment team members are permitted to don their sorority letters and shout to the rooftops which sorority they belong to." This is a very exciting day for not only those waiting to hear their Greek Life fate, but for the current

members of the groups as well. It is a time to celebrate and cherish for it is a new beginning.

Each fraternity and sorority demonstrates their own flair in kicking off Bid Day with their new members. Jordan Bensch of Kappa Alpha Theta mentions that her favorite Bid Day tradition is "watching the new girls meet their Theta mentors". As a member of Alpha Xi Delta, Sarah Loman mentions that "Bid day for an Alpha Xi is always packed full of activities. After the usual celebration at King Horn and the bid day pictures, the whole chapter takes our new girls back to the house [for] a big bid day cake. We give them all kinds of fun gifts and shirts while we play games and just get to hang out together. Then the girls get matched with a "rose buddy" who acts as their mentor until big/little reveal." Delta Zeta member, Colleen Kerger, says that "every Bid Day, Delta Zeta hosts a lunch inside our chapter house for all our new pledges and the sisterhood to enjoy. All the girls get a chance to introduce themselves to their new sisters."

Although the theme and purpose of Bid Day is the same amongst fraternities and sororities, the traditions that each group installs into their history is what makes each fraternity and sorority unique and fitting for different people. The events of Bid Day are ones that these men and women look forward to every year and the traditions do not seem to halt as the day rolls around year after year.





# ALPHA XI DELTA

autism awareness thrives on campus as sorority starts new traditions

Alpha Xi Delta is the first local sorority to grace the campus of Ohio Northern. The motto of the group has been "Realize Your Potential" since its initiation in the 1950s. The ladies of Alpha Xi have been associated with Autism Speaks since 2009 and throughout the year promote awareness and hold events to raise money for this philanthropy. Group member Allie Dolan discusses the traditions upheld by Alpha Xi and the philanthropy; "One of our oldest traditions is the Mary Wolfrum Award, which is given to an outstanding senior annually, and has been given for 44 years. Each year, Alpha Xi Delta hosts Puzzlepalooza, where teams race to assemble puzzles. We also annually have Autism Awareness Week and Blue Dinner pancake supper in the month of April to gain support from ONU students and the community for those with autism." Every year blue ribbons are visible around

campus thanks to the ladies of Alpha Xi to help raise awareness.

While staying true to their old traditions, some new traditions have been started in the past few years. Dolan mentions that they "recently started the tradition of having a carnival in the fall open to students, families, and the community. We sell food and tickets to play carnival games, and even have a hay ride."

As new traditions evolve and the old ones stay true, the group begins to progress and awareness begins to arise. "We are excited to continue with these new traditions in the fall, and to also keep celebrating the past and tradition that our chapter holds in order to improve upon our future." The tradition of the group is what holds them together and keeps their philanthropy strong. This is truly a remarkable group of young women who strive to make a difference.



Right: Chapter members cheer on their sisters and shout out their battle cries at the start of Greek Sing.

2 Right: Alpha Xi members race around fraternity circle during a Greek Week event.







Left: Rebecca Yeh and Brittany Holland promote a Paris theme on their chapter float for the annual homecoming parade. Below: Alpha Xi gets muddy during mud tug. Bottom: The chapter shows off their dance moves during Greek Sing.

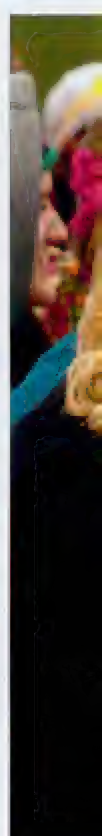




Right: Abby Brown, Lauren Titus, and Kaila Van Fossen have a baking day at the sorority house.

Below: Colleen Kerger and Kelsey Robinson sprint around fraternity circle during the chariot race.

2 Below: The DZ sisters cheer on Elissa McCracken at the Miss USA competition in Las Vegas.





# DELTA ZETA

old and new traditions spark an exciting year for DZ

Since its initiation at Ohio Northern in 1959, the Delta Zeta sorority has blossomed into a well known and well-respected group of women on our campus. The DZ girls hold high standards for their philanthropy and present activities to the campus every year to help provide their support. Every year Delta Zeta brings the Turtle Tug competition to the student body in an effort to raise money for the Painted Turtle Camp, a camp for terminally ill children. They also annually host Dogs for a Cause and Hoops for Hearing, integrating the entire campus into one group of support. This year, the ladies pulled off victories in Greek Sing, Mud Volleyball, and the Greek Olympics. At State Day, the Ohio Northern Delta Zeta chapter received the award for highest GPA among all chapters in Ohio, proving that they are not only dedicated to their service, but to their studies as well.

As far as new events for this year, the DZ ladies celebrated their national Founder's Day and 110 years of sisterhood. Sisters reminisced with Delta Zeta alumnae visiting campus for Homecoming. They also rang in the New Year celebrating their sister, Elissa McCracken, who competed for the crown of Miss America in Las Vegas, NV.

Junior sister, Colleen Kerger, believes that Delta Zeta presents ONU with a tradition of Individuality; "The Zeta Kappa chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority has never fit in the mold of what some think of a 'typical sorority'. We don't all have the same interests, or come from the same background. Our personalities are as vast as our majors, but our differences are what make Zeta Kappa great. From athletes to bookworms, from shy and reserved to the life of the party, from science geeks to literary geniuses, we unite with one love for two letters: Delta Zeta."



Above: Tori Maurer, Kelsey Robinson, Melissa Florio, Allie Boley, and Morgan Sperry race around the track during Greek Week.

Left: With painted faces and wooden letters, Courtney Hissy and Bri Twigg cheer on their sisters.

2 Left: Hayley Reynolds, Jamie Augustine, and Morgan Sperry wave their DZ letters proudly during the homecoming parade.

Far Left: Ashlee Anders and Kimmy Geprey pose during Greek Week.



Right: Kyla Hemphill and fellow sisters pose with their greek letters.

Below: A group of Thetas pose for a photo.





# KAPPA ALPHA THETA

thetas never fail to entertain and involve the campus

Kappa Alpha Theta is one of four sororities on campus here at Ohio Northern. These ladies are filled with spirit as they walk around campus, participate in their philanthropies, and provide activities year-round all over campus. President, Lena Carlson comments on the 2012-2013 school year stating, "The Zeta Sigma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta has had an outstanding year." The dedication to their chapter is evident, as Carlson goes on to mention that they were also awarded Gold Chapter status and won Greek Week this year, following in the footsteps of the four previous years of the Thetas. These ladies are not only fun and entertaining, but they hold a certain respect for their studies as well. This year, they met the All-Women's GPA mark for the fall semester.

Every year, the Thetas have a year full of traditions. Most of these traditions are special simply because they involve

not only the sorority itself, but the campus as well. Every year, you can expect to see signs all over campus for Taco Night held at the "Casa," better known as the Theta House in affinity north east.

Another campus annual activity is Theta Twister. Students as well as other sororities shuffle into the Mac activities room for a night filled with agility and flexibility. This year, the rival Zetas won the Theta Twister thriller. These nights are filled with fun and laughter. They are an opportunity for sorority as well as campus wide bonding. And of course, "no year would be complete without Mr ONU, the male beauty pageant." This event is a campus favorite and never goes unnoticed or unattended. The Thetas do a wonderful job of integrating sorority life with campus life every year to help bring a certain entertainment to ONU.





# ZETA TAU ALPHA

zeta philanthropy becomes a well known campus wide event

Zeta Tau Alpha continues to fulfill their philanthropy year after year. They remain full supporters of breast cancer awareness. The girls attempt to maintain an atmosphere of friendship and outreach to involve the campus to help them make their philanthropy proud and a well-known cause. Alyse Fitzpatrick mentioned some of the events they held on campus to increase their breast cancer awareness support: "Pink Week took place in October, which included a Zumbathon and breast cancer football game. Also, sisters traveled to Toledo to volunteer at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure." The sorority also sold t-shirts to the campus body. Each year the shirts have clever sayings to promote the cause and unite the fight.

The members of Zeta Tau Alpha enjoy their traditions and the values they uphold tend to be reflected in these traditions year after year. Fitzpatrick mentions some of the

tradition that Zeta Tau Alpha has throughout the campus. They do their best to involve the entire student body in their biggest traditions to help spread awareness. "One tradition that Zeta Tau Alpha maintains on the campus of ONU is the Annual Race for the Ribbon 5K. This event raised over \$6,000 in 2013 and continues to be the biggest Greek philanthropic event every year." Members of the Greek Community, athletes, faculty, and Ada citizens join forces and run to support not only breast cancer but their loved ones who have been affected by this horrible disease.

Getting the campus involved is one of Zeta's greatest traditions and their efforts help them to reach new philanthropic goals every year. The campus is always aware of the events the Zetas hold due to their effective integration with the student body and their pride and enthusiasm for their group.

Top Right: A Zeta catches a marshmallow at Greek Olympics.

Bottom Right: The chapter poses for a picture after the Polar Plunge.

2 Right: Showing their spirit, Zetas hold up their letters during the homecoming parade.

3 Right: Junior Alex Ting signals the judge after they build a human pyramid.

Far Right: Zeta members line the football field at halftime to promote Breast Cancer Awareness.







Left: Zetas hit the mud volleyball courts!  
Below: The annual Zeta 5K takes off!  
2 Below: Shelby Core spikes the volleyball during Greek Week.









# DELTA SIGMA PHI

a true definition of brotherhood: better men, better lives

Since its initiation at Ohio Northern in 1920, Delta Sigma Phi has grown to a strong brotherhood of service. The fraternity was awarded the Community Service Award, won the Bronze Chapter of Standards of Excellence 2012 and also had brother James Lee named Outstanding New Member Scholar of the Year, and Dr. Keith Durkin was named Outstanding Advisor of the Year.

The men provide the campus with numerous activities throughout the year, one of which is the popular second annual Polar Plunge which was held in benefit of the March of Dimes. The team raised more than \$2,400 for the foundation. DSP President, Kevin Carper, mentions more activities the group participated in; "Also early in the semester, brothers attended the Delta Sigma Phi Summit in Atlanta, GA and Regional Leadership Academy in Indianapolis, Indiana to develop leadership and recruitment skills." The brothers also continue to visit Elmcroft Retirement Center on a weekly basis to interact with and entertain the elderly, proving that they have more on their minds than just campus dues.

During the year the brotherhood took time out of their busy schedules and cleaned up State Route 235 north of Ada through the Ohio Department of Transportation Program, Adopt-a-Highway. The chapter also handed out pamphlets for the Red Cross about disaster relief.

Year after year, Delta Sigma Phi values brotherhood as one of their most important qualities. The fraternity held its first ever recruitment retreat this fall to help educate the brotherhood on recruitment. Carper mentions that "this retreat definitely showed its value by having the brotherhood welcome 14 new brothers towards the end of the semester." By the end of spring, recruitment improved even more. According to Carper, "the brotherhood initiated a total of 10 brothers during the spring semester with 100% retention; these initiated men brought the total of men initiated up to 24 for the 2012-2013 academic year."

While spending their year focusing on their philanthropy, brotherhood and leadership, the brothers of Delta Sigma Phi prove that they are a well-rounded group of men who look to make the campus and community a better place





Right: Nate Ogden keeps his eye on the finish during the chariot race.

Below: Kyle Dexter leads the Greek Sing dance.

2. Below: Fiji members paint their faces to show their spirit during Greek Week

Bottom Left: The chapter's first official picture.





# New Kids on the Block PHI GAMMA DELTA

onu welcomes fiji as the newest chapter to the greek community

Phi Gamma Delta, also known as FIJI, made its first appearance on Ohio Northern's campus during the 2012-2013 school year. FIJI dedicates its efforts to service and friendship, as well as excelling as an individual. Being the first time FIJI has been on campus, the group needed to put in an extra effort to make a name for themselves at Ohio Northern and to start the growth of their new brotherhood.

Since this is a rather new fraternity and they focus a lot of their time on fellowship, the boys took no time at all jumping into the swing of things at Greek Week and Greek

Sing, taking first place at the annual sing-off and third place for over-all Greek Week. This opportunity to bond and merge with the other Greek chapters on campus was one that FIJI very much looked forward to. As for service, the brothers logged over 17 hours of work per person over the spring semester as well as raised \$500 for Relay for Life.

After taking their first year by storm, the brothers of FIJI are excited to see what the future semesters on campus have to bring and are enthusiastic about their growth and new friendships that will be made through the Greek Life interactions at Ohio Northern.





# PHI DELTA CHI

each needs the help of the other

Phi Delta Chi is the male Pharmacy fraternity on campus. Although this particular fraternity was not present at ONU during the fall semester, that did not set back the brothers of Phi Delta Chi from having a very successful spring semester. Phi Delta Chi dedicates its time to professions, service and academics; the brothers achieved the highest fraternity GPA at ONU with a cumulative GPA of 3.27 with 25 brothers making the dean's list. Phi Delta Chi also raised the most funds out of any Greek organization at ONU for Relay for Life.

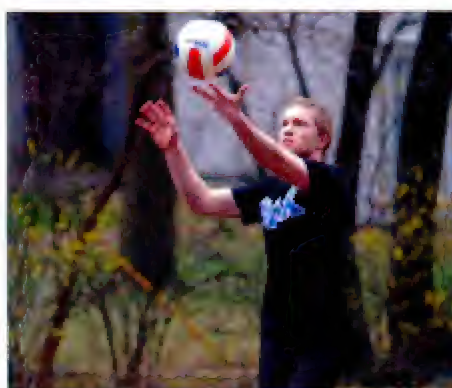
Twenty members of Phi Delta Chi also took a trip to a Leadership Seminar in the spring. Brother, Pat Helman and

Billy Maiden attended the AFLV conference and received multiple awards to take home to their Pharmacy family. Maiden also presented a prescription drug abuse campaign to elementary students to explain to them the dangers of drug abuse. The leadership and service put forward by Phi Delta Chi prove that they have their minds in the right spot and are focusing on the most important factors of a fraternity, bettering themselves and helping others.

As the fraternity continues to grow, the service and high academic standing of these brothers will continue to stand out on campus.



Top Right: A chapter member rounds third in a kickball game.  
Bottom Right: With focus, he serves the ball into play.  
2 Right: The team strides out to the finish.  
3 Right: The duo rounds fraternity circle during the chariot race.







Left: During Greek Sing, the chapter pulled numerous stunts that amazed the audience.  
Below: A Phi Delta Chi member goes for the spike.  
Bottom: Nik Beatty takes the mic.









# SIGMA PHI EPSILON

sportsmanship, brotherhood, & scholarship

Sigma Phi Epsilon has been on the Ohio Northern campus since 1905, making it the oldest Greek organization at ONU. Their longstanding tradition on Northern's campus has made them well adapted to the service and brotherhood required to make them a successful organization.

The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon came out on top as overall winners of this year's Greek Week as well as won many Greek Awards for the present school year including the Philanthropic Project Award, Outstanding Greek Athlete of the Year taken by Robert Roll, the President's Award which recognizes the highest GPA for the past year, and Outstanding Greek Man of the Year taken by Jacob Schwerer.

While the recognition of the group is worthy of

appreciation, the brothers also formed bonds between the brothers, with alumni brothers and other Greek organizations through the other activities that they participated in and presented throughout the year. They helped the ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha with a St. Patrick's Day Social. They also held their 5th annual Alumni Stag Night in which alumni come to a typical picnic-like event to reminisce and tell the current brothers about their experience with the group. Another tradition for these men is annual Family Day. Family members of the brothers were invited to the Sigma Phi Epsilon house for a dinner and to meet the families of their son's brothers.

Fellowship is one trait that these men hold very dear to their traditions and each year make an effort to stretch these friendships farther and farther.



Above: President Kyle Imhulse leads the Greek Sing performance.  
Left: The chariot race.  
2 Left: The chapter shows their strength in mud tug.  
3 Left: Sig Ep Greek Sing!  
Main: The chapter rolls down Main Street with their homecoming float.  
Far Left: Junior Rob Roll.







# THETA CHI

giving back and always lending a helping hand

This year, the men of Theta Chi wanted to make themselves known on campus as a well-respected fraternity that honored service and friendship. In order to make an identity for themselves during spring recruitment, events were held on campus for anyone willing to participate.

They proceeded with their annual Game Night and their annual Super Bowl Party. They also made an effort to hold larger events with other Greek organizations on campus. They particularly wanted to include the new FIJI chapter at ONU. They also held a Valentine's Day Social with the Zeta Tau Alpha girls and attended Elmcroft Valentine's Day Dance, a group of elderly people that many of the Greek organizations on campus are involved with.

Another exciting event for the student body was the finance event held by these gentlemen on March 14th, also known as Pi Day. The students were able to purchase pies either to eat or to throw at a brother of Theta Chi of their choice. After participating in Greek Week, their final philanthropy event was "Cut the Chi" in which students were enabled to bid on the hair of certain brothers and if they won, were able to either cut or color that brother's hair. They were able to raise over \$300 for this event.

Overall, the brothers of Theta Chi take service and fellowship very seriously, taking each philanthropy opportunity and Greek event on campus as a tool used to help them grow as individuals and a well-respected fraternity.





# Annual Greek Week COMPETITION

tough competition yet Greek life camaraderie prevails

Every spring, the different fraternities and sororities on Ohio Northern's campus come together to compete in what is known as Greek Week. This annual event coordinated by co-chairs Brendan Hardin and Molly Wascher allows all of the different Greek Life groups to display their skills and talents in an all-out week-long competition against the other Greeks. Some of the well-known traditional events include Greek Sing in which each group performs musical selections with singing and dancing in front of the other fraternities and sororities. This year, Delta Zeta and Phi Gamma Delta took first in Greek Sing. Other events include volleyball, kickball, Mud Tug and a closing ceremony to conclude the week. Delta Zeta and Phi Delta Chi showed their dominance by taking first in both Greek Olympics and trivia. While the events are for the Greek Life to participate in, they are available for viewing by the whole campus for their entertainment. The events can be seen all over campus; in Mac, King Horn, on the tundra, and around Fraternity Circle. When Greek Week finally happens, the whole campus is aware of it as all the fraternities and sororities sport their letters all week long, proudly supporting their families.

Kappa Alpha Theta member, Lena Carlson, as well as all the other Greek Life members love participating in Greek Week and look forward to it every year. "Greek Week itself is an

awesome tradition in Greek Life at ONU, where the entire Greek population comes together for some friendly competition and to celebrate the camaraderie we share as a community!" This week is a special time that all the Greek families come together as their own individual groups to compete but also as a campus family to celebrate all the things they have in common. The Greek community thoroughly enjoys the time they are able to spend together and come together as one for some friendly competition.

In addition to the competitions, the Greek Community also came together to promote a cause dear to their hearts. This year they raised money for a scholarship fund for Remus Brice's daughter. Brice was a third year law student who passed away earlier this year.

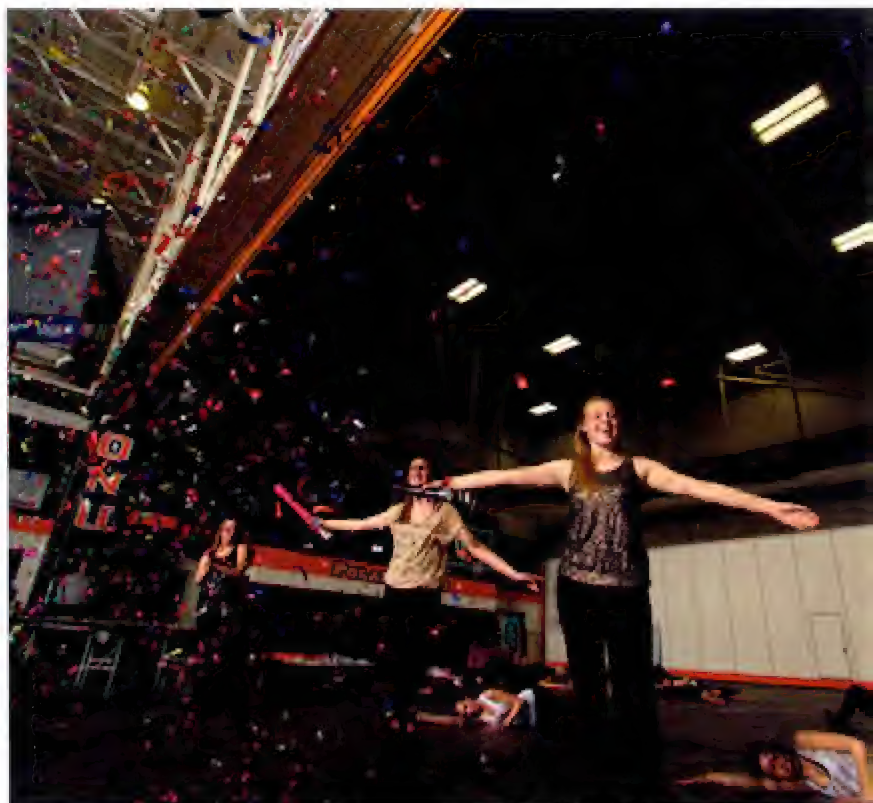
At the end of the week, there is a closing ceremony in which the awards of the week are presented for each event of the week as long as the overall winner of Greek Week. This year, Kappa Alpha Theta came on top as the overall champions for the fourth consecutive year. Every year, the competition proves to be tough; everyone enjoys representing his or her chapter with pride and fighting for the championship. The camaraderie between all the groups never fails to be the number one outcome of the annual Greek Week.



Top Left: A Sig Ep member shows his chapter spirit.



Bottom Left: The Zetas throw up their crowns at Greek Sing.  
2 Right: The Thetas shoot out confetti during their Greek Sing performance.  
3 Right: The Deltas perfect their chariot.  
Far Right: Alpha Xi shows off its talents during Greek Sing.







Left: Fiji plays a mellow, live set during Greek Sing.

Below: Delta Zeta's dance showcased Valentine's Day and love.

2 Below: Colleen Kerger celebrates a game winning point at mud volleyball.







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# ATHLETICS







# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

They arrive on campus before other students, and leave after the school year is far finished. Student athletes sacrifice their time and social life for one thing: their sport. Although balancing athletics & academics deems demanding at times, student athletes not only meet but also exceed expectations further supporting the university's tradition of excellence.

Each year, ONU athletics take pride in competing honorably in the Ohio Athletic Conference. In this year alone, the Polar Bears took home 9 OAC Tournament Titles. For many sports teams like swimming & diving, the OAC title has become a tradition. For men's swimming, this year marked their 9th consecutive conference title.

For many Northern teams, competition continued after the regular season. This year 11 different teams qualified for the national tournament and made record-breaking runs for the national crown. Men's soccer rallied through the national tournament only to fall one game short. The men took home a runner up trophy for the first time in history. In wrestling, senior Kyle Kwiat took home his 2nd consecutive national title. Women's basketball went 18-0 in the OAC only to fall in the second round of the NCAA Tournament to Hope College.

As student athletes, each team member takes pride in their accomplishments both on the field and in the classroom. This year, two Polar Bear athletes not only competed on the national stage but also were recognized for their academic dedication. Sophomore wrestler Cody Lovejoy & junior soccer player Matt Fleming were named the Elite 89 recipients for having the highest GPAs at the final level of competition.

All in all, it is clear that excellence defines ONU athletics.



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Below: Seniors Marc Anderson and Drew Keriazes along with juniors Jordan Breitigam and Christian Garlock earned Honorable Mention All-America honors with a 14th place finish in the 400 medley relay.  
 2 Below: Senior Alison Steinbrunner finished as the national runner up while senior Lydia Weaver finished 85th at the NCAA Meet in November.  
 3 Below: Women's Basketball huddles before their 2nd round game.



Above: Junior Jeni Knic waves to the crowd before their first round game versus no.2 Wittenberg.  
 Right: The Men's Soccer squad poses with their runner up trophy after a record breaking season.





Left: Sophomore Cody Lovejoy and seniors Kyle Kwiat and Jeremy Jones pose after competing at the National Championship in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Kwiat won his second National Title in 174 weight class. Lovejoy was named the Elite 89 award winner. Far Left: Juniors Sam Atkinson, Lauryn Zielinski, and Colleen Kerger rush to congratulate fellow junior Sara Rutherford after scoring the final PK to advance the Bears to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Northern then fell to Carnegie Mellon in the round of 32.

# The Pinnacle of All COMPETITION

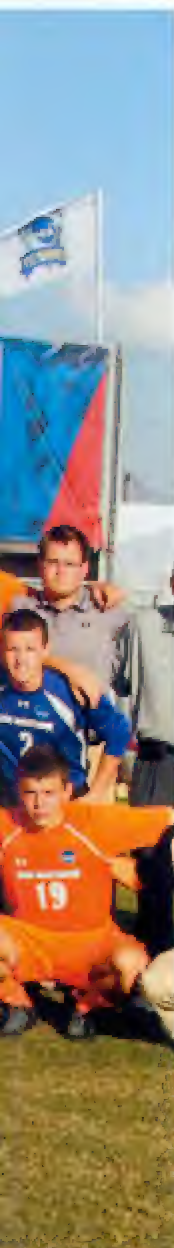
onu teams strive to compete on the national stage

Every year, college athletes everywhere work all season long towards multiple goals based on what they want to accomplish, but nearly every team has one goal in common: to make it to the National Tournament. They want to prove that they are a part of an elite group of student athletes who can work, perform and win. This year, eleven different teams had the responsibility and honor of representing Ohio Northern in the NCAA games. These teams included: Cross Country, Track, Swimming & Diving, Soccer, Tennis, Women's Basketball, Volleyball, and Wrestling.

Ohio Northern was showcased incredibly well throughout the 2012-2013 year. Men's Cross Country placed 7th of 37. National runner up Alison Steinbrunner and Lydia Weaver represented women's Cross Country. Tennis, Women's Basketball, and Women's Soccer made it to the 2nd round. Senior Amy Elmer represented women's diving. Men's soccer made program history by ending their season as national runner ups after falling to Messiah 5-1. Senior wrestler Kyle Kwiat clinched his second NCAA title and like most athletes believes, "To me the NCAA tournament is the pinnacle of competition [...] every athlete strives to make it to. It's ultimate test of your efforts in the off season."

As well as being represented well by eleven different teams, Ohio Northern also had two student athletes win the Elite 89 Award. This award is given to the athlete with the highest GPA in the final section of the NCAA tournament. Soccer player, Matthew Fleming and Wrestler, Cody Lovejoy were both privy to this honor. Fleming says he was honored "but it was really a team award more than an individual one. The guys on my team create a winning mentality both on and off the field. We strive to win in the classroom as well and that's ultimately what motivates me and pushes me to do well while playing soccer and while in the classroom." Lovejoy agrees that balancing athletics and sport were necessary to success in both. He mentions that "winning the Elite 89 award was quite an honor. For me the two go hand in hand. Many of the values that I have learned from wrestling, such as work ethic and discipline, can be applied in the classroom setting. When you put the skills together one can perform at high levels. For me to be able to do so and represent myself, my team and my university is quite an honor in itself."

Either as an individual or a team the National Tournament is what all athletes strive to achieve and it has become a tradition here at ONU.





Right: The Women's Basketball team warms up in pink shirts to promote breast cancer awareness.

Far Right: Women's Soccer supports "Team Brady" in matching shirts prior to their Alumni Benefit game for 4 year old Brady Sanford. Far Right: Klondike the Polar Bear hugs a Team Brady supporter out at the soccer field.

Main: Seniors Frank Thien, Joe Powell, Cody Kelly, Ben Myers, and Carter Paul pose with a tank to promote their Veterans Game.



# Playing to Make a DIFFERENCE

sports teams do their parts in helping the community

The athletic department at Ohio Northern prides itself not only on producing successful teams, but also on producing teams that want to make a difference. A number of the ONU sports teams hold annual fundraisers for certain groups, charities, or events that are special to the players.

Every year, the Men's Basketball team hosts a Pink-Out game during conference play, encouraging fans to show up wearing pink in support of breast cancer. Fans are instructed how to sign up for their Relay for Life team in case they wish to make a donation to the cause. Women's and Men's Soccer also have a game every year in support of breast cancer. Kicks for a Cause is where the Polar Bears and their OAC opponent for the day wear pink to warm up and donate proceeds of their game to breast cancer research.

This season, the football team recognized Veterans Appreciation Day and wore camouflage uniforms in honor of the veterans. The team then auctioned off the unique uniforms in order to raise profits to donate to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department. The team raised \$2,312 to present to Commander Chuck Keller. At the game against

Heidelberg, the teams and fans experienced an F-16 flyover and a presentation of each branch of the United States Armed Services.

The Women's Soccer team had another fundraiser this year during their spring Alumni game-Stickin' it to Sarcoma, a benefit game to help raise money for Brady Sanford, the 4-year old son of Biology professor, Jamie Sanford. "Team Brady" was created when it came to the attention of the team that Sanford's son was diagnosed with Synovial Sarcoma. The team sold t-shirts and held a raffle at halftime thanks to numerous Ada and Lima businesses in order to raise money. The team was able to raise over \$2,000 to donate to the Sanford family.

ONU has always had successful sports team. These teams also understand that winning is not everything and there are things out there bigger than themselves. The sports teams at ONU pride themselves on being a source of help for others. Producing champions is one thing, producing well-rounded student-athletes who have a deep desire to make a difference is another thing and Northern can pride itself knowing they have both.







3 Above: Junior Christin Miller gives senior Michelle Sweet her senior gift during both senior day and breast cancer awareness day.

2 Above: Freshman Lydia Helmann sells t-shirts and baked items to raise money for 'Team Brady.' Above: Sophomore volleyball player Ellie Gillespie warms up in her 'Dig Pink' shirt.



Below: Senior Ben Ankrom pumps up his teammates before the ONU Invitational.  
 2 Below: Senior Ian Anderson pulls away from sophomore Tom Gerberich.  
 Bottom: Junior Tyler Feitshans strides out in the middle of the race.  
 Main: Senior Kenton Holiday and the rest of the team start the race with urgency.







Top Left: At the sound of the gun, the team takes off to start the invile.

Bottom Left: Junior Mathew Johnson receives his t-shirt from Athletic Director Tom Simmons.

Left: Senior Michael Simmons, junior Mark Berton and sophomore Nathan Rosenbaum sprint to the finish.

Far Left: Junior Jeffrey Denny strides out toward the home stretch.



# Overcoming the ADVERSITY

men's cross country battles through the season

The men's cross country team battled through injuries and other adversity to make this season a memorable one. Both ONU Cross Country teams started off the season on a strong note by clinching a first place finish at the ONU invitational. The ONU Men's Cross Country team beat out Heidelberg, Bluffton, and some old faces of the ONU Alumni, and finished with 5 runners placing in the top 6. They battled to keep their strides throughout the season but were faced with some unexpected injuries that the team had to find a way to overcome.

Coach Jason Maus commented on how the men's team overcame certain adversities and made the best of their situation: "This gave some opportunities for some underclassmen to gain some valuable experience." Although they had to call on some young blood, they still managed to keep their image up with numerous runners competing admirably. "This team did continue the traditions of ONU cross country with strong finishes at the OAC and Great Lakes Regional meets," Maus believes.

Through the season's struggles, the morale of the men's cross country team continued to be the same as it has always been; a very tightknit group of friends who work and run for each other. "We overcame a lot of obstacles and grew stronger as a team," comments junior Jeffrey Denny. "It's one of the best things I've been a part of. We're like a huge family. Even though it didn't end the way we wanted it to, we grew closer as a group and learned a lot about each other."

Through their dedication and hard work that never seems to diminish year after year, the men's cross country team was able to show that they won't go down without a fight. They finished the season with two first team All-OAC selections, 2 second team All-OAC selections and an OAC Runner of the Week. This year also marked the program's 13th consecutive winning season. The bond that inevitably comes with being a part of this team has once again helped them to make the most out of the season and give them the drive to come back next year even thirstier for victory.



Top Left: Senior Alison Steinbrunner competes at the NCAA meet.

Bottom Left: Junior Caitlin Ratliff competes.

Right: The team gathers and anticipates the start of the OAC meet.

Main: Senior Sarah Turley leads the pack off the starting line.



# Driven to the Top MOTIVATION

onu runners prove they are a force to be reckoned with

When the Women's Cross Country team came out for their first meet this season, it was no question that they were going to have something to prove this year. The women opened the season with the ONU Invitational taking first place and having ONU runners taking up four of the top five places. With such a great start to the season, it was evident in the attitudes of the ladies that they would use this as motivation to carry out the rest of the season on a high note.

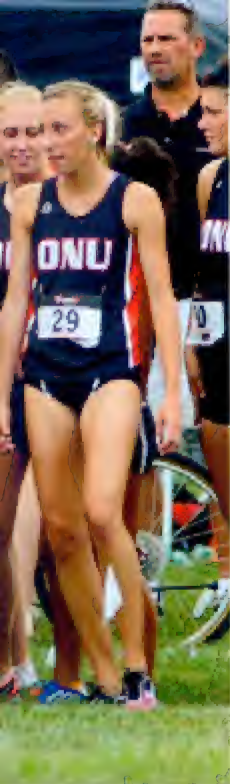
The team traveled all over Ohio as well as Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana to make a statement to all the other teams. Senior runner, Sarah Turley, stated that "This year was exceptional for us because we came in with everyone thinking we would be the underdogs and we really proved them wrong." It is their constant drive that has brought them success in the past and what will continue to bring them success in the future. Turley goes on to say "Girls really stepped up to fill spots, and every week we had tons of people with personal

Senior All-Conference and All-Region runner, Lydia Weaver agrees, "This Cross Country season was all about drive. Our coach was driven to push us to success. This team was driven to sacrifice whatever it took to be stronger. We weren't given our OAC Champion Title; we had the drive to fight for it." The girls were able to capture the OAC title for the third year in a row, as well as name seniors, Alison Steinbrunner and Lydia Weaver All-Great Lakes Region runners along with five All-OAC runners.

The girls grew as a team to become a family, which helped guide them to their successful end. Coach Jason Maus commented, "This year's team really came together from the beginning of the season to the end. There was some uncertainty and inexperience early on, but as the season went along we grew and gain confidence. Ending the season with our third straight OAC championship was a great accomplishment." There is no doubt the team will continually find success in years to come.





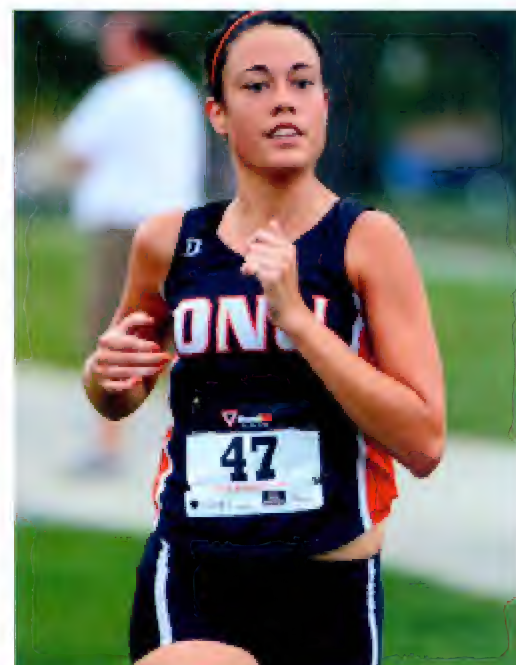


Left: Junior Laura Avino is neck and neck with a John Carroll runner.

Below: Sophomore Julie Puvogel, junior Kayti Kitner, sophomore Catie Huber, sophomore Raechel Moore, freshman Moriah Rouch pose with the OAC trophy.

2 Below: Senior Sarah Thompson

Bottom: Junior Erin Radigan receives a T shirt from Athletic Director Tom Simmons.





Below: Freshman Shintaroh Itoh drives past the Messiah defender.  
 2 Below: Senior Chris Matejka finishes his amazing bicycle kick against OAC opponent John Carroll.  
 Main: Freshman Keegan Ross dribbles up the field.  
 Bottom: Senior Cameron Johnson wins a header against Defiance's Evan Allen.







Top Left: Junior Jeremy Barnes battles past the defender towards goal  
Left: Freshman Chase Mueller looks to carry the ball up the field.  
Middle Left: Senior Cameron Johnson gets dogpiled by his teammates after scoring in the NCAA tournament.  
Bottom Left: Senior Josh Green clears the ball from his opponent.  
Far Left: Senior All-American Nate Bascom takes open space looking for another scoring opportunity.

# Competing for the ULTIMATE TITLE

old and new traditions help men's soccer reach the ncaa final

The men's soccer team always produces admirable results, but this year, they had their sights set much higher: the National Championship game. With a 25-3 season and 18 game winning streak, the Bears can be assured that this was their best season yet. The men not only won the conference for seasonal play, but also brought home the gold for the conference tournament. But the team was not ready to stop there. They travelled to Pittsburgh, defeating Thomas More and Carnegie Mellon in the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament. After that, they just kept on going, bringing home win after win, setting the school on fire with spirit. The team managed to travel all the way down to San Antonio, Texas to take part in their first trip to the Final Four and ultimately, the NCAA Finals. ONU eventually fell to Messiah in the final match but pulled out a remarkable and unforgettable season.

Every year, the boys are recognized with conference, regional, and national awards. This year ONU swept the OAC awards. Senior Nate Bascom was named Forward of the Year, Chris Matejka named Midfielder of the Year, Austin Windsor as Defender of the Year, Mac Church as Goalkeeper of the Year, and Coach Ridenour as coach of the Year. Three Bears including Bascom, Windsor, and Church

also garnered All-American accolades. The team named six All Ohio players, five All Region players, and five Academic All Ohio players among many other laurels. Junior Matt Fleming brought home the Elite 89 Award for the highest GPA in the final four. It's no mistake that success, hard work, and dedication are traditions set forth by the team.

While the team has some of these serious traditions, they also like to embrace fun traditions to keep the team energetic. One tradition that the team enjoys is the "same seats" rule. Senior Ryan Sabol mentions that the tradition started when "a more superstitious player on the team started making everyone sit in the same seat on the bus to away games. As we continued to have successful seasons, the tradition began to stick. It stuck so much so that now, "same seats" is shouted by many players in reference to places in team pictures, restaurants, and seats on the bus. [...] "Same seats" tradition is an important part of the team. It's always rewarding to yell, "Same seats!" while getting on the bus after a big away game win." The team managed this year to exhibit their fun and serious traditions that helped them to reach new levels that they hope to continue to reach in the years forthcoming.





Top Right: Junior Sara Rutherford celebrates after scoring the game winning PK against Rochester Institute of Technology to advance ONU to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Top Far Right: Senior Nicole Grant dribbles through the Wooster defense.

Bottom Right: Junior Abby Vargo shuts down a RIT forward.

Bottom Far Right: The team poses for a group shot after winning their first OAC Tournament Championship.



# Minor Stumbles BIG SUCCESS

rocky start doesn't stop women's soccer

Ending the season with a 13-5-5 record, the ONU women's soccer team managed to uphold old traditions and begin what will hopefully be new traditions in the years to come. The team had a rocky start, tying their first two games, but came back throughout the season, pulling out some hard earned wins. As the team started to find ways to win, the girls collaboratively stated that they "got their swagger back", a term that's been used to describe their playing style and attitude for many years.

Although the girls didn't perform as well as they had hoped to in the conference play, the team managed to win the OAC tournament. This marked the first OAC Tournament Title and automatic NCAA bid in program history, a tradition that the returning girls hope will stick for many years to come. The team eventually fell to Carnegie Mellon in the second round after a PK thriller to advance past Rochester Institute of Technology in the round of 64. Since their first trip to the National Tournament, playing on the national stage has been an annual goal and they have once again proven they have the motivation to get there.

The women's soccer team takes prides in conference, regional, and national recognition of excellence. This year produced seven All OAC accolades. Other awards included one CoSIDA Academic All-District, four Academic All-Ohio players, seven Academic All-OAC players, two All-Region players, and four all-Ohio players. Coach Mark Batman was named Coach of the Year while senior Tara Tokar took home the Midfielder of the Year accolade for the OAC. The girls also recorded their 8th consecutive winning season, making excellence and success a tradition to uphold.

Two time All American, Tara Tokar, mentions that she loves the ONU women's soccer team because "tradition never graduates. [...] We have great pride in representing our university and rivaling teams know ONU always puts up a fight." The ONUWS traditions create a foundation that allow to team to strive toward even greater accomplishments each year. After winning the conference tournament for the first time in history, the girls hope to continue their efforts to reach new heights in the years to come.







Left: Junior Sam Atkinson wins a 50/50 against RIT.  
Below: Senior defender Paige Garber beats an RIT forward and dribbles up field.

Main Photo: The team celebrates after a goal by sophomore Kristina Klusek.  
2 Below: Senior defender Lindsay Gilchrist.  
3 Below: Sophomore forward Sandra Thorarensen.  
Bottom: Junior midfielder Lauren Brown.





Below: Led by senior Joe Powell the team storms out of the tunnel onto the field, ready for the game.

2 Below: Junior Tate Humphry celebrates after a touchdown.

Bottom: Team defense led by Dillon Kwiat and Cory Spelman takes down a Mount Union player.







Left: Senior Justin Wilson zips past a defender  
Middle Left: Senior center Kyle Smith prepares for the snap  
Far Left: Senior Carter Paul doesn't let his opponent stop him as he drives down the field.  
Main: Sophomore Justin Tello carries the ball up field after an interception against Baldwin Wallace.



# A Game Filled With TRADITION

honored tradition and team chemistry help onu showcase talent

The Ohio Northern Football team completed yet another commendable season, once again showcasing their accomplishments with numerous awards and opportunities. The team finished the season with a 4-6 record, with all four wins coming in OAC play.

The ONU football program strives every year to produce excellence in performance, athletics and team bonding. The team's accomplishments brought them recognition in All-OAC selections, naming five ONU players to the All-OAC 2nd team and awarding two others with All-OAC honorable mentions. The team's hard work and inevitable dedication also produced five OAC Players of the Week; two offensive and three special teams.

Nationally, Ohio Northern had the honor of sending three of its players, offensive guard Tyler Joseph, defensive tackle Cody Kelly, and safety Cory Spelman, to the Tazon de Estrellas All-Star Football Bowl Game in December in Guadalajara, Mexico. The game compiled a roster of NCAA Division III All-Stars to represent Team Stars & Stripes. All three ONU stars aided in Team Stars & Stripes' win over Mexico,

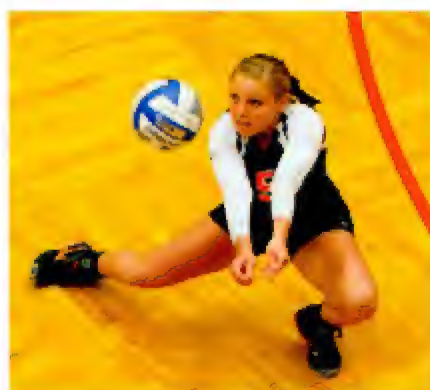
32-15. With amazing opportunities as such, along with the numerous awards presented to members of the team, the ONU football program has once again shown us their talent and enthusiasm for the game and our school.

Amidst the excitement of the season, the team has maintained a set of timeless traditions throughout the years that have contributed to the team's cohesion and success. Junior, Luke Rice stated that he believes that "it was the closest group of guys we have had on the team for a while." He explained teams traditions such as getting the team together to hang out on Friday nights before each game, continuing with team chapel on Saturday morning, and a team prayer before every game. One tradition in which the team can all attest to as highlights of their season is what the team calls "going over the hill", which is when the team walks over the hill overlooking the field and charging the field. This pregame ritual has been around for many years and will not end any time soon.

It can be confirmed that the traditions of team chemistry, enthusiasm, and dedication have pushed them along to achieve great success.



Right: Junior Kristen Davidson spikes the ball past the defense.  
 Middle Right: Senior Kelsie Zumberger back sets the ball over the net.  
 Bottom Right: Junior Jeni Kmic led the team in digs the past 2 years.  
 Main: The Bears go for another point in their match at Calvin College.



# The Past Motivates THE PRESENT

onu volleyball builds off previous season and returns to ncaas

Coming off of the 2011 season not making it to the NCAA tournament, the ONU Women's Volleyball team was dedicated to making it back to the national stage. With the NCAA tournament as a constant motivator, they posted a 24-7 record while going 11-0 at home. A third place finish in the OAC regular season ranked them one place higher than in 2011.

The team's hard work proved its worth when the team attended its 28th NCAA tournament in school history. The first round of the NCAA tournament landed Ohio Northern in a match-up with no. 2 Wittenberg. It was a hard fought battle but the Polar Bears fell in 3 sets, ending a very successful season.

"This season was a huge step forward in our program. We accomplished many of the goals we set for the team, including making it to the NCAA tournament. I am so proud of our team this year and hope to continue to set the bar higher for seasons to come. Our seniors were an important part of our team and the team would not be as successful without them. I'm truly going to miss our seniors and wish them the best of luck!" junior Kristen Davidson said.

This season was full of both team and individual highlights. Senior Ellen Grenert led the team in kills for the second straight year with 293, surpassing last year's total of 245. Junior Jeni Kmic also led the team in digs for the second straight year with 572. Grenert was also named Second Team All-OAC while freshman Ellie Gillespie was named Honorable Mention. Five Bears garnered Academic All-OAC accolades and Coach Witte became ONU's all time career wins leader.

Like many sports teams, ONU Women's Volleyball embraced numerous traditions that were vital to their success. "Before every match, we would sit in a circle; listen to music, dance, and do the worm. This was just a way to pump us up for the game and have some fun!" Davidson added.

With yet an other successful season in the record books, its exciting to see the future direction of the team. Like Coach Witte said, "We have a very young team coming back for our 2013 team and are looking forward to the 2013 team." As traditions continue, the winning seasons and championship will surely follow.







Left: The girls circle up before the match while the swim team cheers them on.

Below: Freshman Ellie Gillespie blocks a hit

2 Below: Senior Ellen Grenert goes in for a spike.

Bottom: Freshman Anna Ricker celebrates with her teammates after scoring a point.







Main Picture: Senior Jason Faykosh attempts to block his opponent's advances.

Top: Sophomore Isaiah Roux skies over his defender to put up a worthy shot.

Above: Sophomore Lucas Pennington looks towards the hoop.





Left: Junior Dominique Royal goes up for a shot.  
Middle Left: Junior Branden Rushton takes the ball up the court.  
Far Left: Junior Jared Horstman drives past his defenders.



# A Team That NEVER QUILTS

men's basketball turns season around to make oac tournament

This years men's basketball team had a few ups and a few downs but it will for sure go down as a successful season. After winning their first two tournaments, the W & J Tournament and the Alma Thanksgiving Classic, and starting off 4-1 the Polar Bears were giving people something to talk about. Unfortunately the hot start didn't end as they went 3-9 over their next 12 games. The Polar Bears battled back and won 4 out of their next 5 to keep climbing in the OAC standings.

In the first round of the OAC Tournament, the 7th seed Polar Bears were tied with Heidelberg at the half. Then junior Jared Horstman, took over the second half and helped the Polar Bears win by 8. Horstman had 30 points on the night. The OAC run ended in the second round with a 92-61 loss to Wilmington. This left the Polar Bear's final record at 13-14, just under the elusive .500 winning percentage. The Bears gave it their all and even if the record doesn't show it, there were still plenty of ups to remember. The critics seem to forget that this was a very young team with only 3 seniors graduating and a lot of promise down the road.

There is still plenty of individual recognition to go around for this team. Brandon Rushton was named to Second Team All-OAC making it his third consecutive appearance on the All-OAC squad after earning Honorable Mention the past two seasons. He led the team in scoring for the second straight year at 15.1 ppg. He has also started all 81 games during his first three seasons at ONU and will enter his senior year tied for 32nd all time at ONU with 1,078 points. Dominique Royal was voted All-OAC Honorable mention who is making his first appearance on an All-OAC squad. He was third on the team in scoring at 11.1 ppg and fourth in rebounding at 3.7 RPG. Jared Horstman also is making his first appearance on an All-OAC squad garnering honorable mention as well. He was second on the team in scoring at 11.5 ppg and led the Bears in rebounding with 5.1 boards a night. Off the court, the Polar Bears had two named Academic ALL-OAC. Adam Bair, a sophomore pharmacy major average 3.7 ppg for the Polar Bears and shot 33.3% from downtown. Horstman is an accounting major and it is his first time being Academic All-OAC.



Right: Senior Joanna Snyder leaps over her defender.  
 Middle Right: Senior Katie Mengos moves up the court.  
 Far Right: The Lady Polar Bears celebrate their OAC regular season and tournament championships  
 Main Picture: Senior Morgan Dumbaugh looks for her options. She broke the all-time scoring record with 1,242 points.  
 Middle: Junior Cenzie Yoder cuts down the net.  
 Bottom: Junior Taylor Hemmiller dribbles down the court.



# ONU Basketball Is UNSTOPPABLE

women's basketball goes undefeated in the oac

It was a historic year for the Lady Polar Bears, breaking the school record for wins and reaching as high as third in the nation before losing a heartbreaker in the second round of the NCAA tournament to Hope College. The Women's team was 27-2 overall including a 26 game winning streak and a perfect record in the OAC that earned them the OAC regular season title and the OAC tournament title. The Lady Polar Bears lost their second game of the season in heartbreaking fashion to Washington (Mo.). They didn't let the 1-1 start get in their heads as they crushed the competition at the St. Mary's classic, becoming tournament champions along the way. They finished unbeaten at home with a record of 12-0 and record of 12-2 on the road. After coming up short in the OAC tournament title game against Mount Union in 2012, there was no doubt the Polar Bears were going to leave their mark on the OAC. Winning both OAC tournament games by more than 20 points, it was quite the show. Then in the first round of the NCAA tournament they took care of business against Hanover College winning by 20. Then came the second

round game against Hope College. Morgan Dumbaugh led the way with 16 points but it wasn't enough for the Polar Bears as they lost 63-48, ending what was an amazing season.

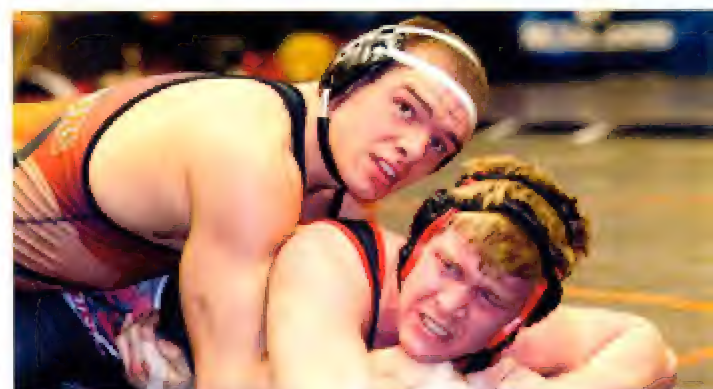
Even with all of this team success, the Lady Polar Bears individually did a lot of record breaking. Morgan Dumbaugh broke the career record for scoring in ONU history with 1,242 points. Cenzie Yoder moved up to third all time on career assists with 219 while also having the fifth most assists in a single season with 84. Katie Mengos leaves with the career record in number of steals with 209 as well. Coach Michele Durand was OAC coach of the year and Joanna Snyder was Co-OAC Player of the year. There were four All-OAC players from ONU including (first team) Joanna Snyder, Morgan Dumbaugh, Cenzie Yoder, and Honorable Mention Katie Mengos. Joanna Snyder was also the OAC tournament MVP. The list goes on and on for these Lady Polar Bears and this will go down in history as one of the greatest single seasons in ONU sports history. With a core group of returners and a strong foundation the team has high expectations for next season.













# Continued Excellence YEAR AFTER YEAR

onu wrestling dominates the competition in both the oac and nationally

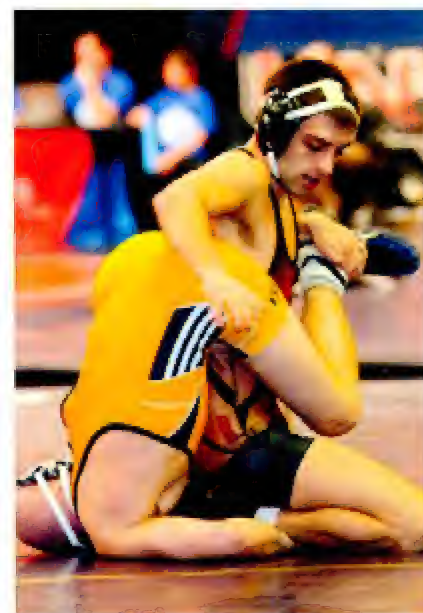
Every year, the wrestling team at Ohio Northern demonstrates their exceptional skill, determination, and will to win. ONU Wrestling has a reputation for being on top and this year was no different. Ending the season with a 16-4 overall record and a 4-1 conference record, the team was able to show that in multiple different weight classes, they could produce champions. Five wrestlers were named All-OAC; two First Team honors, and three Second Team honors. Together senior Kyle Kwiat and juniors Michael Pawlitz and Jerry Pasquale claimed 7 OAC Wrestler of the Week honors. Sophomore Cody Lovejoy was named OAC's Most Pins/Least Time, Kyle Kwiat was named OAC Wrestler of the Year, and Coach Ron Beaschler was named OAC Coach of the Year. Four ONU wrestlers were named NWCA Scholar All-America as well.

At the conclusion of the regular season, Kyle Kwiat, Jeremy Jones, and Cody Lovejoy continued their seasons and represented Ohio Northern at the national level. Sophomore Cody Lovejoy was named the Elite 89 Award winner, which is given to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative GPA participating at the final site in the NCAA Championship.

ONU didn't stop with the recognition there. Kyle Kwiat clinched the NCAA Division III National Championship for the second year in a row. In addition to a two-time National Championship, he was also honored as a four-time All-American, the first in ONU history.

As shown by their impressive record year after year, Kwiat believes that "tradition of excellence is what our wrestling team is about. Throughout the years, I feel like our program has not only graduated great athletes, but also great men. We give everything we have into all we do and that comes out on the mat and in our lives and I'm proud to have been a part of it." Senior Jeremy Jones agrees, stating that "Our team has slowly been starting a tradition of dominance and knowing we should be on the top every year."

Even though the team will be losing some invaluable teammates in the coming years, there is no doubt that the continuing wrestlers will keep the team's level to the same height that it belongs and will not be letting down any time soon. The determination can be seen in each wrestler before each match starts and does not dim down until it ends.



Main: Senior Kyle Kwiat attempts to pin his opponent to clinch his back to back national championship.

Above: Junior Jerry Pasquale.

Far Left: Sophomore Kyle Brezovec.

Top Left: The team encourages each other before hitting the mat.

Bottom Left: Junior Michael Pawlitz.

Left: Senior J.P. Hoopes.



Right: Abby Barlage and John Beaschler cheer on their teammates.

Middle Right: Senior Andy Garlock prepares to jump off the blocks.

Main: Senior Drew Keriazes shatters the school record in the 200 m breast on the final day of the NCAA III Men's Swimming & Diving Championships.



# Tradition Sparks MOTIVATION

the tradition of excellence leads team to ninth oac title

The ONU Men's Swimming and Diving team once again came out on top. The team ended the year with a 10-2 overall record and a 5-0 record in the OAC, taking the conference championship for the ninth straight year. The guys know that every time they dive into the pool, they must perform to the best of their abilities because they have an incredible reputation to uphold. Junior fly and middle distance swimmer, Erik Arent, knows this is true and uses this as motivation to perform. "The team is motivated by tradition. The history of this team is really good and that is one thing that this team believes in. It is not easy being at the top of the OAC every year. We have a huge target on our backs that every year it seems to get more intense. Each team in the OAC wants to be the team that knocks off the Polar Bear and we have to do our best to keep that from happening."

The success of this team does not dwindle from year to year. Four swimmers represented ONU at the NCAA tournament in Shenandoah, Texas. Marc Anderson, Jordan Breitigam, Drew

Keriazes, and Christian Garlock ranked 12th in the 200 medley relay.

The relay team earned All-America Honorable Mention for their performance as well as Breitigam for his performance in the 200 fly. Breitigam was also named OAC Men's Swimmer of the Year and has been a 10-time OAC Champion. Keriazes won his fourth consecutive OAC championship. Eight other Bears were named OAC Champions for their events. Junior, Kyle Rex was named the OAC's Diver of the Year. Five Polar Bears were named Academic All-Conference, four were honored with All-Conference and five different swimmers were named OAC Swimmer of the Week.

The tradition of excellence on this team will continue to drive the Polar Bears to achieve their best and successfully represent Ohio Northern. Arent concludes that "every year tradition is brought up and is used to motivate us to be better than what we were the year before." The Bears will continue to soar and astound us more and more every year thanks to their dedication and motivation to leave their legacy.





Left: Sophomore Jason Luthman races the breast stroke.

Below: The team poses with their ninth straight OAC Tournament trophy.

Middle: Freshman Tyler Siefing dives into the pool.  
Bottom: Senior Marc Anderson competes in a back stroke race.





Below: Taylor McCabe performs the breast stroke.  
 Bottom: Senior Mackenzie Hoffman sprints to the finish.  
 Right: Junior Jennifer Hartsel is neck and neck with a Baldwin Wallace swimmer.  
 2 Below: A group of swimmers cheer on the relay team as they approach the finish.  
 Main: Senior Sarah Fiflick dives into the pool.







Left: Senior Amy Elmer dives off of the 3 meter with perfect form.

Far Left: Junior Jamie Garbash prepares for the start of her backstroke race.



# Year After Year CHAMPIONS

team bonding leads girls to another oac championship

The Women's Swimming and Diving Team has once again proven that they have what it takes to barrel through the season to obtain another winning record. Ending the year with a 7-6 regular season record and a 4-1 record in conference competition, the girls made it their mission to take the OAC championship. Senior Amanda Brown states that as a team, "we pride ourselves on being a strong family unit who continuously strives for excellence. One of our most valued traditions is winning both the regular season and conference championships," which they managed to do this year for their 5th consecutive year. Winning that trophy is a tradition that the team strives to never give up.

As for the divers, proving their skill is high on their list of priorities as well. Senior, Amy Elmer, advanced to the NCAA Regional Championships and finished 6th in the 1-meter competition and 11th on the 3-meter dives, showing she has what it takes to compete.

While the girls continually have champion-

ships on their mind, they make an effort to use their closeness as a way to push through the season. Brown says "Swimming together makes us a team but all of our traditions make us a family." This is a team that has their priorities straight. Even though swimming is often seen as an individual sport, this team knows where true success lies; in each other. While competing at high levels every day, the girls always make time to bond. Junior Rachael Aufdenkampe says her favorite tradition is having "the freshmen impersonate the upperclassmen." Like any good sports team, ONU Swimming understands the importance of incorporating fun into their daily agenda. For a team that laughs together, wins together.

ONU Women's Swimming & Diving was recognized throughout the year for its outstanding performances. The team produced 6 Academic All-OAC swimmers, an OAC Diver of the Year, 7 OAC Champs & 2 All-OAC Swimmers. Year after year the team proves they are a team to be reckoned with.



Right: Freshman Ben Glischinski throws a pitch.  
 Far Right: Senior Cory Martin hits a line drive.  
 Main: Sophomore Dan Belliveau produces a solid hit and a RBI.



# Building a Strong FOUNDATION

steady improvement leads to great success

Under second year head coach Gene Stechschulte the Polar Bears improved their record and showed some promise for a bright future. The team showed improvement finishing the season 17-21 and tied for 6th place in the OAC, compared to a 15-23 and finishing in 8th in the OAC just a year ago.

The Polar Bears season began down south in Fort Myers, Florida for a tournament over spring break. The Polar Bears played teams from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, and Massachusetts. They finished with a 6-4 record down in Florida before coming back up north to continue their season. After dropping the first three games of the OAC schedule the Polar Bears had to fight back hard to make a push for the OAC tournament. Going 8-5 over the next 13 OAC games, it all came down to the last day of the regular season, a double header against John Carroll for a spot in the OAC tournament. Unfortunately the Polar Bears lost the first one 7-5 and only mustered up 4 hits in the second game to lose 3-0. It was an unfortunate end to what was an otherwise bright season.

There were a lot of individual success stories as well on this team. Senior Cory Martin led the team with 32 RBIs, Dan Belliveau led the team in average hitting a very good .308, and sophomore Jack LaMarca, an outfielder, led the Polar Bears with 46 hits this season.

Representing the Polar Bears on the Academic All-OAC team included senior pitcher Patrick Collins, senior first baseman Kevin Obarski, senior pitcher Austin Price, junior second baseman Brian Thomas, and sophomore outfielder Derek Lenardos. Representing the Second Team All-OAC were sophomore Jack LaMarca and seniors Cory Martin and Austin Price. Sophomore Dan Belliveau and freshman Ben Glischinski were among the Honorable Mention All-OAC members.

With a step in the right direction and an abundance of youth, the Polar Bears are excited to take the field next spring. The program has shown great growth and promise over the last few seasons and will enter the 2014 season eager to compete at a high level.







Below: An ONU player scores a run as they slide into home plate

Left: Freshman Alex Crabtree throws a strike.  
 Middle: Junior Matt Magni throws a change up.  
 Middle: Sophomore Jack LaMarca is safe.  
 Bottom: Senior catcher Cory Martin.





Below: Senior Michelle Sweet hits a line drive.  
 2 Below: Senior Ashley Sujkowski tags an out.  
 3 Below: Freshman Amanda Lahti rounds third base  
 and high fives Coach Ali Hess.  
 Right: Sophomore Jamie Westenkirchner stretches  
 for an out.  
 Bottom: Junior Christin Miller get a hit.







Main: Junior catcher Bree Hiteshew and senior Abbey Bensing high five their teammates as their names are announced.  
Left: Senior pitcher Abbey Bensing pitches the ball.  
2 Left: Junior Colleen Baliga throws the ball to a teammate for an out.



# Past Yields High EXPECTATIONS

a strong 2012 showing puts pressure on the 2013 season

After one of the most successful seasons in ONU softball history last year, there was a lot of pressure to repeat the same success. Unfortunately with a younger, less experienced ball club, they couldn't repeat what they had accomplished last year but this year's team has a bright future.

The Lady Polar Bears finished 13-15 with a 9-9 record in the OAC good enough to finish tied for 5th in the always-competitive OAC. The Lady Polar Bears started off the season down south at the NFCA Leadoff Classic in Columbus, Georgia. They played high quality teams from Iowa, Georgia, Texas, Missouri, Mississippi, and New York. They left the tournament with a record of 1-5 but 3 of those losses were decided by 2 runs or less, showing how tough and gritty they were. After a 0-4 start in the OAC, the rallied back and won the next 6 straight OAC games sweeping Otterbein, Heidelberg, and Mount Union in double headers along the way.

Unfortunately they finished 2 games back of 4th place, which didn't allow them to play in the OAC tournament. Once again, the scoreboard doesn't tell the whole story, there was a lot of success in this team.

Senior Abbey Bensing moved to 6th all time on the career strikeout list with 199 in her career. Christin Miller moved to 6th all time on the career hits list with 192, while Ashley Sujkowski moved up to 16th all time on the career hits list with 131. Kelly Sheridan led the team in slugging percentage at .578 as well as total bases at 52. All-OAC accolades were given to four Lady Polar Bears this season: First team was Christin Miller as well as Colleen Baliga, second team was Anne Dreher, while honorable mention was given to Michelle Sweet. Colleen Baliga and Christin Miller were also on the NFCA All-Central Region team. There is a lot of room for growth within this young program and look for them to bounce back in 2014!



Right: Freshman Brandon Lambert makes a putt.  
 2 Right: Freshman Rich Deichert takes advice from his coach Chad Ehmsberger.  
 Main: Junior pharmacy major Pat Helman tees off.



# A Season Of CONSISTENCY

men's golf clinches top finishes throughout the year

Golf has one of the most interesting sports seasons on campus. Play a lot in the fall, take the winter off, and then gear back up for a long season of spring golf. The Polar Bears of Ohio Northern had a very solid fall season; winning a dual against Heidelberg, finishing second in the John Speiss Memorial, and winning the Mount Union Fall Invitational. They then took the winter off to refocus and get a much-needed break from the demanding schedule.

They started off hot by winning against Marywood (Pa.) and St. Vincent (Pa.) in Myrtle Beach over spring break. After that they beat Ohio State Lima in a dual, and that all lead up to the OAC championships at Muskingum University the last weekend in April. After three days of very intense and hard fought competition, the Polar Bears grinded out a 4th place finish in the OAC. The number 1 man for ONU that day was Rick Deichert who

finished tied for 5th overall in the entire field. Not far behind in 8th place was Colin Burns. This marks the 3rd straight year that the Polar Bears have finished 4th as a team at the OAC Championships, incredible consistency!

There were numerous award winners on this golf team as well, let us not forget that taking home Academic All-Ohio Athletic Conference honors was junior pharmacy major, Pat Helman. Grabbing All-Ohio Athletic Conference honors was the freshman mechanical engineering major, Rick Deichert. Also grabbing All-OAC honors was the junior pharmacy major, Colin Burns. Burns was also the OAC Golfer of the week for October 2nd. Junior Ryan Wirtz was second on the team with a 78.5 average.

With the entire team coming back for the 2013-2014 Golf season, it looks like this may be the year that ONU finally gets into that top 3 at the season ending OAC Tournament.







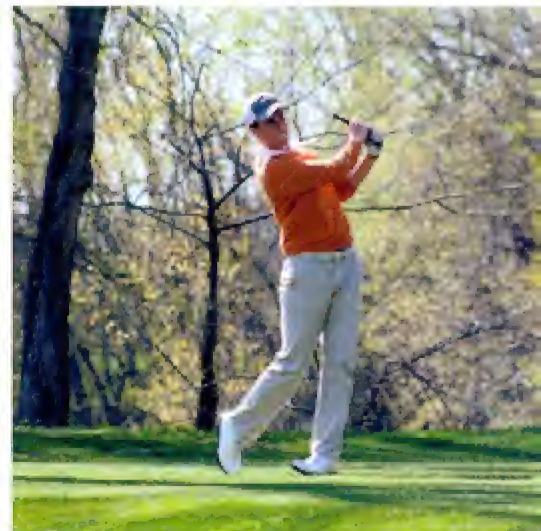
Left: Juniors Ryan Wirtz and Colin Burns share a laugh as they walk to the next hole.

Below: Sophomore Andrew Quintrell tees off

2 Below: Colin Burns hits a nice tee shot.

3 Below: Sophomore Bruce Hamit prepares for a putt.

Bottom: Junior Angelo Palmer admires his drive.





Right: The team poses before leaving for the OAC  
Tournament.

Below: Sophomore Allison Fye prepares for a putt.

2 Below: Freshman Alex Manno takes a swing.

Bottom: Junior Alyssa Mason tees off for the first time  
in her career.



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Left: Sophomore Megan Conley tees off.  
2 Left: Sophomore Allison Fye makes a putt for par.  
Main: Freshman Courtney Knippen hits a tee shot onto the green.



# Young Talent BRIGHT FUTURE

a youthful team gains valuable experience

With a squad of four freshmen, two sophomores, and one junior, it was key to the success of this year's team to maintain their composure when the going got tough. They did that very well as they pulled off a fourth place finish at the OAC tournament in the spring compared to a 5th place finish last year. They started off the season in the rough with a 9th place finish at the Denison Fall Invitational but then came around 2 days later to finish 3rd at the Jon Speiss Memorial. They then went on to finish 2nd at the Heidelberg Fall Invitational, 3rd at the Defiance Fall Invitational, 3rd at the UNOH & Notre Dame (OHIO) Tri-Meet, and 4th at the Indiana U. East Fall Classic to finish off the fall season. The Lady Polar Bears then kicked off the spring season against Oglethorpe (Ga.) where they lost a close one, but remained competitive in the Muskingum Shoot-Out and the Ohio Wesleyan Spring Invitational leading up to the OAC Championships. The tournament was hosted by Heidelberg at the Mohawk Golf Club.

Otterbein took home the title in dominating fashion winning by over 50 strokes to second place Mount Union. The Polar Bears were led by sophomore Megan Conley with an 8th place finish. Close behind was sophomore Allison Fye in thirteenth, and freshman Courtney Knippen snagged a top-20 spot finishing in 17th overall. Junior Alyssa Mason, a member of the Women's Soccer Team, also competed in the OAC Tournament with the ONU Golf Team. Mason stepped up to the green when the team was in need of another member. She finished 31st in her first ever collegiate golf tournament.

Allison Fye, a sophomore pharmacy major represented the Lady Polar Bears very well, garnering Academic All-OAC honors for her work on and off the course. This ONU Women's Golf team lacked experience at the beginning of the season but made up for it with heart and determination. The next few years look very promising as they return everybody and have gained valuable experience.





# Dominating the CONFERENCE

men's tennis wins its third oac title in four years

The Ohio Northern Men's Tennis team came out on top again this year, ending with a 9-0 record in conference play and their third OAC Tournament Championship in the previous four years. Even with the beginning of the season starting off a tad rocky, the guys ended the season leading up to their final match with a 17 match winning streak, giving them an overall record of 19-5. With this amazing season and a conference tournament championship under their belts, the men's team advanced to the NCAA tournament, taking them to face Concordia in the first round. After defeating them 5-0, they went on to face Trinity where their season unfortunately came to an end.

Although a tradition of excellence has always been at the top of their list, senior Joseph Frank mentioned that new traditions come about every year. "Before every Saturday conference match this season we all had to go to Padrones together and order one of their subs. It was a tradition that was really started up this year, but turned out to be a successful one since the team didn't lose a conference match all season."

Frank commented on their work this season and everything that had to be overcome in order to maintain that tradition of winning; "We had a great season this year, we accomplished our goal of winning not only the regular season championship but also the conference tournament championship." [...] I would have to say the common theme this year was overcoming adversity. This season was by no means spring weather; I was very proud how much effort we put in on and off the court whether it was 40 degrees outside or 40 mph winds. It really helped us have an edge on our competition this season, we showed a lot of fight and energy from the first ball hit to the last." The team in turn produced 5 all-OAC players; two first teams honors, one second team honor and two honorable mentions, as well as one OAC player of the week.

Ending the season on such a strong note with new traditions forming will allow the team to continue their journey in years to come, hopefully maintaining their goals and creating new ones along the way.







Far Left: Sophomore Sam Prewitt.  
 Middle: Junior Do Thal.  
 Left: Junior Josh Saunders.  
 Main: Senior Joseph Frank.  
 Below: The team cheers for each other.  
 2 Below: Junior Blake Troller.  
 3 Below: Freshman John Mostowy.  
 Bottom: The team poses with the OAC trophy.

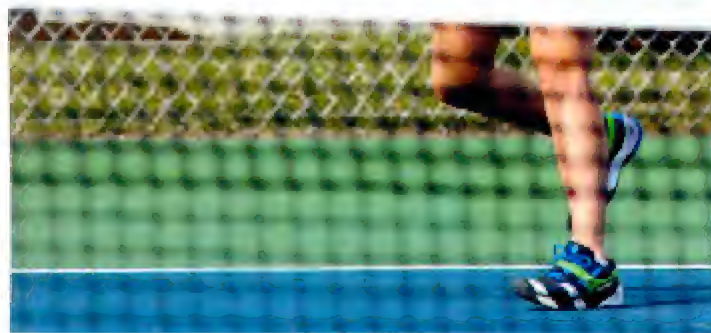




Main: Junior Michelle Tuma hits the match point.  
 Below: Freshman Taryn Stromback returns a hit.  
 2 Below: Sophomore Brittany Miller keeps her eye on the ball as she returns a serve.  
 Bottom: Junior Carly Olmstead clinches a 7-0 record in the OAC and OAC Player of the Week.







3 Left: Both players and fans pose with first place trophy after the team won the OAC Tournament.  
2 Left: Junior Kelsi Wurm returns a serve.  
Left: Freshman Christina Corbean hits the ball over the net.

# Sweeping The COMPETITION

team bonding pushes team to an unbeaten OAC record

Women's Tennis once again smashes the OAC, taking the conference with a 9-0 undefeated run. The girls ended the season with a 14 match winning streak grasping their second consecutive OAC Championship and their third consecutive OAC regular season championship. With the automatic bid to the national stage, they travelled to Chicago to compete in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. After sweeping Edgewood, 5-0 in the first round, they fell to University of Chicago but in the end, produced a 27-5 overall record.

As a result of this astounding season, three different polar bears were awarded OAC Players of the Week as well as six girls being named All-OAC players; two first team All-OAC (Michelle Tuma & Christina Corbean), two second team (Meghan Letizia & Brittany Miller), and two Honorable Mentions (Rachael Miller & Taryn Stromback). Junior Michelle Tuma received first team All-OAC for the third consecutive year and sophomore Brittany Miller earned her second All-OAC honor.

Junior Kristen Cellentani along with senior Kelsi Wurm and Lauren Rife were named Academic All OAC.

Throughout the season, these girls, like many of the sports teams, developed into a close knit family creating its own traditions. This year's tradition began at the beginning of the season so says Tuma; "This year, we began to say "go bears", and it became this year's catch phrase. It was used to cheer on teammates in tennis, school, and other life ventures. Hopefully this tradition will continue and many more will come!" Since tennis is an individual or partner sport, there will always be a whole team ready to cheer you on, so the initiation of the go bears chant will definitely be there to pump the players up.

Every year, these ladies soar to new heights and showcase their talents. Being there to cheer each other on and being such a close group of girls is pertinent to their success. ONU is excited to see how their old and new traditions continue to develop and help these talented ladies to succeed.



Right: National qualifier Michael Simmons competes in the steeplechase as Mark Berton trails close behind.  
2 Right: Sophomore Phillip Farwig prepares for a big throw.  
Main: Junior Jeffrey Denny leads in a distance race.



# Big Losses Call For RELOADING

men's track pushes to regain strength after losing key runners

The theme for this year's ONU Men's Track & Field team was reloading. After losing national qualifiers Jake Schwab, Cory Bailey, and Dan Smith it was going to be very hard to win the Indoor Ohio Athletic Conference Championships for a sixth straight year. The men's track team had plenty of early success finishing 1st at the prestigious Joe Banks Invitational and then 5th at the All-Ohio Championships a week later. The Polar Bears fell short of repeating finishing 5th in the OAC with 79 points. There were plenty of bright spots for the Polar Bears though. Francisque Pierre-Jerome finished 3rd in both the 60 meter dash and the 200 meter dash. Michael Simmons finished 2nd in the 3000 meter run and then came back the next day to finish 3rd in the 5000 meter run garnering two All-OAC honors. Nathan Rosenbaum wasn't far behind finishing 4th and Junior Mark Berton finished 7th to help steal a bundle of points in the 5000 meter run for the Polar Bears. In the field Josh Colbert finished third in the long jump to also garner All-OAC honors.

Onto the outdoor season where the Bears had finished third the past three years and were trying to change that. The Polar Bears traveled down to the Washington & Lee Carnival where Junior Mark Berton won a very exciting steeplechase race and was ranked

no. 1 in the steeple in the nation! When it came down to the All Ohio Championships junior Mark Berton won the steeplechase with Michael Simmons in 3rd to help the team score. In the 10k, Junior Jeffrey Denny ran the 8th fastest time in school history to secure a 4th place finish. In the 5K, the Polar Bears scored two people thanks to Michael Simmons and Mark Berton. The men's 4x100 relay also had an outstanding day finishing in a close 3rd thanks to Christian Rupe, Devon Jones, Adrian Arias, and Francisque Pierre-Jerome.

With the OACs approaching it was going to take a mighty performance to pull out a top 3 finish. The Polar Bears ended up in 5th, but there were notable performances. In Nathan Rosenbaum's 10K debut, he finished 2nd with the 3rd fastest time in school history (31:36) and the men's 4x400 relay placed second. In the high jump Ryan Brancheau finished third and in the 3000 meter steeplechase the duo of Michael Simmons and Mark Berton finished 1-2 for the second consecutive year. Michael Simmons the only Bear at the NCAAs, had the 8th fastest time in the nation leading into the meet, which is the current school record (9:06.11). He finished 12th in the finals. It was an unfortunate year for the Polar Bears on the track but they will be ready to return to dominance this upcoming 2013-2014 season.







Left: Francisque Pierre-Jerome hands off to Jonathan Roseler.

Below: Sophomore Christian Raber clears a hurdle

2 Below: Senior Kris Yaple throws.

3 Below: Sophomore Devon Jones sprints to the finish line.

Bottom: Freshman Steven Gohrband clears the pole vault.





Right Senior Vicki Moga clears the high jump.  
 Below: Junior Brooke Larson takes off.  
 2 Below: Senior Alison Steinbrunner competes at the  
 NCAA race.  
 Bottom: Sophomore Shannon Hageman and  
 freshman Kristine Wagner hug after winning a race.







Left: Freshman Gabrielle Heck clears the pole vault.  
2 Left: Freshman McKenna Earley prepares for a throw.  
3 Left: Senior Jordan Buchanan takes off to complete her leg of the race.  
Main: Sophomore Gabrielle Metzner clears a hurdle.

# Great Strides of IMPROVEMENT

women's track & field builds off of 2011-2012 season

After a 2011 4th place finish at the Indoor OAC championships and a 2012 5th place finish at the Outdoor meet, the women's team was ready to step up and make a statement to the rest of the OAC. Fueled by the home crowd, the women tied for 2nd at Indoor OACs with 102 points. They followed that up with a 5th place finish at the Outdoor meet hosted by Mount Union University. Earning All-OAC honors at the Indoor OAC meet included Jordan Buchanan in the 60 meter dash, Caitlin Huber in the 800 meter run, Shayla Siefker in the mile, Alison Steinbrunner in the 3000 meter run, and the women's 4x200 meter relay. OAC champions for the Lady Polar Bears included: Alison Steinbrunner in the 5000 meter run, the women's distance medley relay, and Vicki Moga in the high jump. Alison and Vicki both made it to the indoor national championship meet held at North Central College.

The outdoor season was also filled with high hopes as the Lady Polar Bears wanted to carry the momentum that they had gained during the indoor season. They finished tied for 11th at

All-Ohio but had plenty of All-Ohio performances to celebrate including Lydia Weaver who finished 3rd in the 1500, Alison Steinbrunner finished 2nd in the 5000 meter run, and Vicki Moga finished 2nd in the high jump.

The team only had two weeks to get everything right for the OAC championships. The girls finished what at first was a disappointing 5th place, but there were plenty of performances to outweigh the negatives. Caitlin Huber finished 3rd in the 800 meter run, Lydia Weaver gutted out a tough 1500 to get 2nd, freshman Kara Sosinski ran a very smart 10K and finished third, and both the 4x400 and 4x800 took home third. Vicki Moga took home another OAC title in the high jump, while Alison Steinbrunner won both the 10K and 5K setting the OAC record in the 10K along the way.

This was a very good season for the lady Polar Bears who have a lot of room to grow and improve in the future. With a strong core returning next season, they will be sure to pick up where they left off. Look for this team to be even higher in the OAC next season!





Main: Chelsea Bowers cheers on the Polar Bears.  
 Right: The squad poses in front of the polar bear at the football stadium.  
 Bottom Right: The squad rallies a cheer at a men's basketball game.



# School Wide SPIRIT & PRIDE

cheerleaders continue to bring pride to onu

Over the years, the cheerleading team has definitely developed into a big part of the athletic and social life at Ohio Northern. They are present at every football and basketball game and can often be seen at special events around campus. Junior Melissa Barker commented on their activities of the 2012-2013 squad year. "We went to the gate dedication at the football field and helped kids put tattoos on their faces. We were also in the homecoming parade and then did the fight song for the alumni." At any major campus-wide event, whether an athletic event or a special dedication, you can bet the cheerleading team will be present, ready to pump the student body full of school pride.

The team can agree that every year they become closer and that there is no better reward than being a part of this team. Barker continues saying "we really are like a family. Even outside of Cheerleading we are always at each other's side [and] every cheer camp we become so close and it just continues throughout the year."

Some of the traditions of the cheerleading

team are rather visible to the rest of campus. Senior Shea Pennington mentions some of the team's time-honored traditions: "I think one of the squad's very favorite traditions has always been doing push-ups for each touchdown scored. Sideline pushups is something ONU cheer will always continue! Also, lifting our daring mascot Klondike in a stunt each football season never fails to be a crowd favorite!" Crowd pleasers are definitely at the top of the list as far as traditions go. Students and even the president will often join in with the cheerleaders in the touchdown pushups at the football games, an activity that seems to bring the student body together as one.

Of course, ONU wouldn't be complete without the immense support of the alumni that continues to feed into our traditions as well as the rest of campus that helps us to keep the spirit of ONU alive. Pennington continues saying "At Northern we have tremendous alumni and spirited fans that make it very rewarding to be an ONU cheerleader."





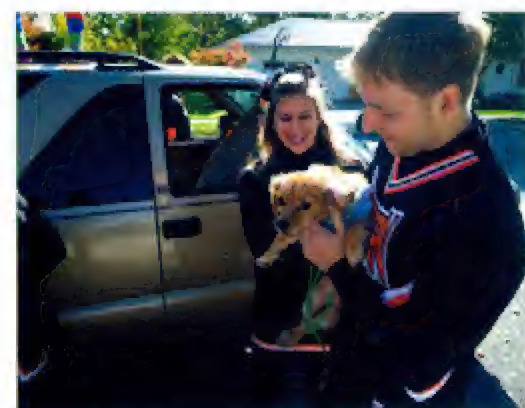
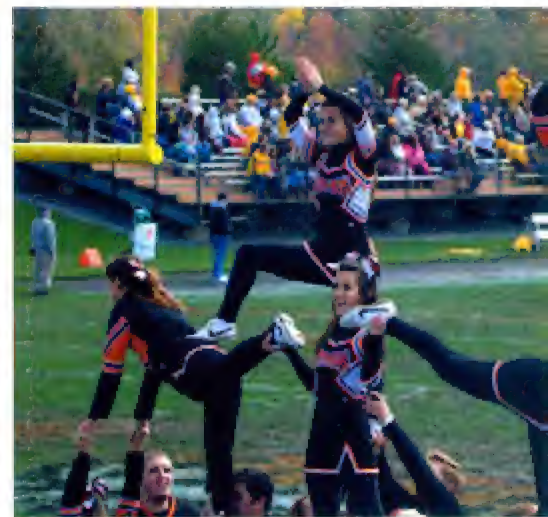


Below: The team executes a difficult stunt at a football game.

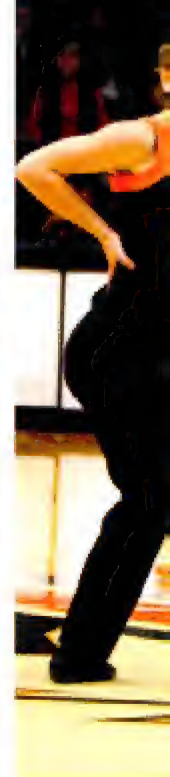
2 Below: Junior Melissa Barker pets a puppy.

Bottom: Sophomore twins Allison Wetshtein and Jessica Wetshtein balance carefully.

Left: Emerson Babington hands out spirit items to the crowd.







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Left: P4 Molly Kulp leaps in the air during a halftime performance.  
2 Left: The dance team hits their final pose during their halftime number.  
Far Left: The elementary dance students show some attitude after their big performance.



# Entertainers of THE YEAR

the dance team brings excitement to campus

Over the past few years, the Ohio Northern Dance Team, the Northern Stars, has blossomed and flourished. The Northern Stars are particularly known for their half-time performances at the basketball games. As one of their traditions, they perform what they call "the dance team slide" at different events. As well as performing at half time at these games, they also showcase their talents at the homecoming parade down Main Street.

As a part of the dance team, the ladies of the Northern Stars take a large part in supporting the basketball team according to dance team member, Joelle Farano. They give treats to the players before games and decorate the locker room for senior night. They can also always be counted on to perform wonderfully at the Breast Cancer Awareness Game every year. Their performances are always captivating as the girls continue to push themselves to be the best dancers, performers and entertainers that they can be. The campus has grown to appreciate their efforts and look forward to

their performances at every home basketball game.

The team also puts on a day camp for local youth dancers. The children are taught by the Northern Stars over the course of an afternoon and that evening they all preform a special dance at halftime of a basketball game. This time they danced to a youth favorite and crowd pleaser, One Direction.

This year, the Northern Stars opened up more to the campus. They decided to have two master dance classes taught in the Macintosh Ballroom open to the entire campus as well as the public. The big selling point? Kent Boyd from So You Think You Can Dance was the teacher. This was a very exciting excursion for Ohio Northern and definitely brought some attention to the credibility and talent of our dance team. Be sure to stop by the basketball games next year as they will no doubt, continue to thrive and perform with the high standards they demand of themselves. The Northern Stars a always a memorable performance.



- Right: A student trainer stretches a track runner before the meet
- 2 Right: Sophomore Alyssa Guinn wraps a baseball player's arm.
- 3 Right: Senior Rachel Graham tends to an injured track runner.



# Heroes Behind THE SCENES

athletic trainers make success possible

They may not be on the roster, but athletic trainers are vital to every team's success here at ONU. The entire athletic training staff both students and senior members are the behind the scenes heroes of ONU athletics. Whether its taping a player before a game, providing ice after a long week of training, or rehabing an injury, the athletic trainers put the athlete's best interest first.

Each sports team is assigned a head trainer from the university and one or two student trainers. Trainers travel to away games, attend practice, and provide rehab times throughout the week. "There is nothing better than being around sports for a living. And then throw in being able to rehab and work with athletes as they strive for greatness. It's amazing," senior Jeremy Jones said. All student trainers are required to aide the football team. "Football season taught me the most about athletic training, friends, and

life," senior Rachel Wright said.

Athletic trainers not only tend to injuries but also provide insight to athletes about how to stay healthy throughout the season. Athletic Trainer Chanda West gives numerous presentations about nutrition to the women's soccer team during their preseason training. Head Trainer Kurt Wilson serves as a guest strength trainer for many sports teams during their off season. Wilson also gives inspirational speeches to teams and youth campers throughout the year.

Work doesn't end at the conclusion of the school year. Many athletic trainers like Jones and Wright work university sports camps and sponsored events for weeks at a time.

Although their hard work often times goes unnoticed, the athletes here at ONU are truly thankful for all of their hard work and dedication. Without their assistance, success would not be possible.







Below: Assistant Athletic Trainer Owen Keller talks to Stephen Perkins.

2 Below: Assistant Athletic Trainer Michelle Wilson performs rehab on an athlete.

3 Below: Assistant Athletic Trainer Justin Lehman examines a swimmer's foot.





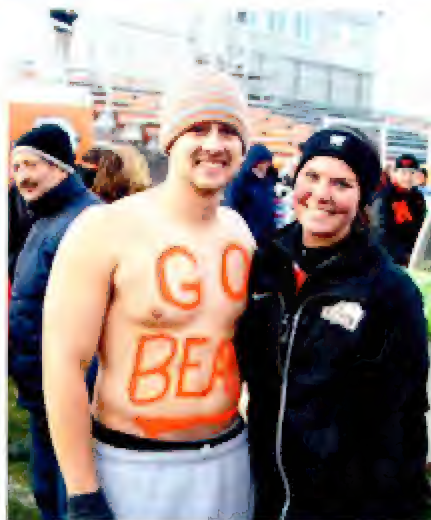
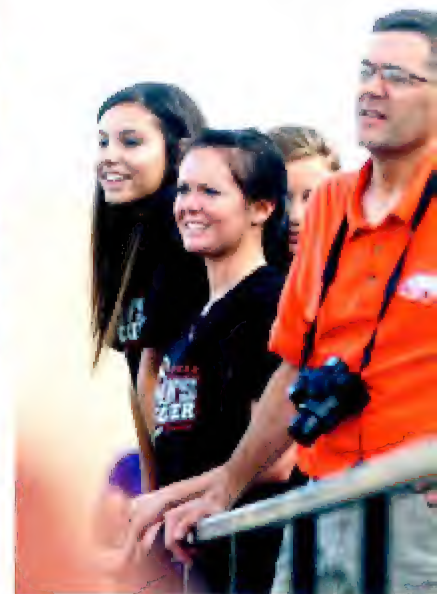
# Unlimited Support



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# at Home & Away





## Women's Soccer

Grove City (Pa.)	1-1 T (2OT)
Case Western	1-1 T (2OT)
Earlham	1-0 W
Wooster	2-0 W
Ohio Wesleyan	2-1 W (1OT)
Mt. St. Joseph	5-0 W
Denison	1-1 T (2OT)
Thomas More (Ky.)	1-0 W
Mount Union	3-0 W
Capital	2-1 L
Baldwin Wallace	1-0 L
Otterbein	2-1 L
Wittenberg	1-0 L
Marietta	5-0 W
Heidelberg	2-0 W
John Carroll	1-1 T (2OT)
Wilmington	2-1 W
Muskingum	4-1 W
Wilmington	2-0 W
Otterbein	2-1 W
John Carroll	2-0 W
RIT (NY)	1-1 T (PK)
Carnegie Mellon	1-0 L

## Men's Golf

Heidelberg	W 305-343
Jon Speiss Memorial	2nd of 8
OAC Fall Invite	4th of 12
Defiance Fall Invite	Cancelled
Mount Union Invite	1st of 7
Wittenberg Invite	6th of 15
Marywood (Pa.) & St.	1st of 3
Vincent (Pa.)	1st of 3
Mt. St. Joseph Invite	6th of 13
Ohio State Lima	W 300-325
Trine (Ind.) Classic	4th of 6
OAC Spring Invite	5th of 8
Wooster Invite	7th of 16
OAC Day 1	4th of 7
OAC Day 2	4th of 7
OAC Day 3	4th of 7

## Men's Soccer

Geneseo St. (NY.)	4-0 W
Centre (Ky.)	4-1 W
Anderson (Ind.)	3-0 W
Defiance	5-1 W
Canregie Mellon (Pa.)	3-2 L
Wittenberg	5-0 W
Franklin (Ind.)	3-1 W
Transylvania (Ky.)	2-0 W
Ohio Wesleyan	2-0 L
Thomas More (Ky.)	5-0 W
Manchester (Ind.)	6-1 W
Mount Union	3-0 W
Capital	4-0 W
Baldwin Wallace	1-0 W
Otterbein	2-0 W
Marietta	3-0 W
Heidelberg	5-0 W
John Carroll	2-0 W
Wilmington	3-1 W
Muskingum	5-0 W
Heidelberg	3-1 W
John Carroll	2-0 W
Thomas More (Ky.)	1-0 W
Carnegie Mellon (Pa.)	3-1 W
Susquehanna (Pa.)	4-1 W
Montclair State (NJ.)	2-1 W
Williams (Mass.)	3-2 W
Messiah (Pa.)	5-1 L

## Football

N.C. Wesleyan	16-13 L
Heidelberg	43-7 L
Capital	28-14 W
Mount Union	54-0 L
Baldwin Wallace	22-20 L
Marietta	56-14 L
John Carroll	28-23 L
Muskingum	20-19 W
Wilmington	51-7 W
Ottberbein	24-13 L

## Men's Basketball

Hood (Md.)	76-74 W (C)
Penn St. Beaver	78-60 W
Defiance	69-64 L
Alma (Mich.)	99-71 W
Fidlandia (Mich.)	84-68 W
Wooster	67-56 L
North Park (Ill.)	79-75 L
Baldwin Wallace	60-59 W
John Carroll	82-76 L (C)
Muskingum	93-78 W
Otterbein	79-70 L
Marietta	67-61 L
Mount Union	69-63 W
Heidelberg	82-74 L
Capital	69-64 L
Wilmington	69-50 L
John Carroll	78-75 L
Baldwin Wallce	63-47 W
Marietta	69-60 L
Otterbein	82-73 W
Muskingum	86-79 W
Heidelberg	76-68 W
Mount Union	72-57 L
Wilmington	79-75 W
Capital	61-47 L
Heidelberg	79-71 W
Wilmington	92-61 L

## Women's Golf

Denison Invite	9th of 11
Jon Speiss Memorial	3rd of 7
Heidelberg Invite	2nd of 4
Defiance Invite	3rd of 8
UNOH & Notre Dame	3rd of 3
Indiana U. East Classic	4th of 6
Oglethorpe (Ga.)	L 366-445
Muskingum Shoot Out	5th of 6
OAC Day 1	4th of 7
OAC Day 2	4th of 7



## Women's Basketball

Lake Forest (Ill.)	67-48 W
Washington (Mo.)	63-60 L
Kenyon	83-55 W
Albion	78-54 W
St. Mary's (Mich.)	77-62 W
Marietta	75-48 W
Baldwin Wallace	64-42 W
John Carroll	65-49 W
Muskingum	79-54 W
Denison	66-62 W
Otterbein	71-43 W
Adrian (Mich.)	83-50 W
Mount Union	62-45 W
Heidelberg	76-65 W
Capital	61-47 W
Wilmington	76-60 W
John Carroll	72-61 W
Baldwin Wallace	66-55 W
Marietta	61-44 W
Otterbein	65-42 W
Muskingum	80-49 W
Heidelberg	70-58 W
Mount Union	71-53 W
Wilmington	63-48 W
Capital	77-42 W
Wilmington	62-39 W
Otterbein	73-46 W
Hanover (Ind.)	86-68 W
Hope (Mich.)	63-48 L

## Women's Cross Country

ONU Invitational	1st of 3
Calvin (Mich.) Select	5th of 22
Williams (Mass.) Classic	8th of 15
Otterbein Invite (JV)	3rd of 12
All-Ohio Meet	4th of 21
Wis.-Oshkosh Invite	9th of 37
Oberlin Rumble (JV)	4th of 14
OAC Championships	1st of 9
NCAA III Regionals	7th of 33

## Softball

Central (Iowa)	3-1 L
Piedmont (Ga.)	17-1 L
East Texas Baptist	5-4 L
Washington (Mo.)	7-6 W
Mississippi College	11-4 L
St. John Fisher (NY)	12-6 L
John Carroll	12-6 L
John Carroll	6-5 L
Marietta	8-1 L
Marietta	4-1 L
Otterbein	7-5 W
Otterbein	6-5 W
Heidelberg	7-4 W
Heidelberg	16-3 W
Mount Union	4-3 W
Mount Union	12-6 W
Wilmington	5-3 L
Wilmington	9-3 W
Baldwin Wallace	11-6 W
Baldwin Wallace	9-0 L
Capital	3-0 L
Capital	1-0 L
Anderson (Ind.)	3-0 W
Anderson (Ind.)	13-5 W
Muskingum	10-1 W
Muskingum	6-3 L
Denison	4-1 L
Denison	6-3 W

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OAC Championships	2nd of 9
NCAA III Regionals	7th of 37

## Baseball

Hiram	15-1 W
Hiram	4-3 L
Neumann (Pa.)	11-10 L
Illinois College	3-1 W
Thiel (Pa.)	10-9 W
Dominican (Ill.)	8-5 W
Widener (Pa.)	4-2 L
Olivet (Mich.)	4-2 L
Anna Maria (Mass.)	7-2 W
Anna Maria (Mass.)	6-0 W
Denison	12-1 L
Denison	5-4 L
Albion (Mich.)	13-6 W
Marietta	13-4 L
Marietta	16-0 L
Capital	3-1 L
Capital	4-3 W
St. Francis (Ind.)	3-2 W
St. Francis (Ind.)	6-3 L
Ohio Wesleyan	14-5 L
Otterbein	7-4 W
Otterbein	10-5 L
Bluffton	6-5 W
Heidelberg	4-3 W
Heidelberg	5-3 L
Mount Union	10-4 L
Mount Union	7-6 L
Wilmington	11-4 W
Wilmington	15-4 W
Baldwin Wallace	5-4 W
Baldwin Wallace	7-1 L
Adrain (Mich.)	11-1 L
Case Western	Cancelled
Muskingum	4-2 W
Muskingum	8-2 W
Oberlin	7-6 L
Wittenberg	13-8 L
John Carroll	7-5 L
John Carroll	3-0 L



## Volleyball

Alumni	3-0 W
Wooster	3-0 W
Carnegie Mellon (Pa.)	3-1 W
Thiel (Pa.)	3-0 W
Trine (Ind.)	3-1 W
Bluffton	3-1 L
Anderson (Ind.)	3-0 W
Hanover (Ind.)	3-0 W
Splading (Ky.)	3-1 W
Bethany (W. Va.)	3-1 W
Denison	3-0 W
Calvin (Mich.)	3-0 L
Mt. St. Joseph	3-0 W
Hope (Mich.)	3-0 L
Alma (Mich.)	3-1 W
Capital	3-0 W
Bluffton	3-2 W
Transylvania (Ky.)	3-1 W
Hanover (Ind.)	3-1 W
Mt. St. Joseph	3-1 W
Kenyon	3-0 W
Mount Union	3-1 L
Baldwin Wallace	3-0 W
Otterbein	3-0 L
Marietta	3-2 W
Heidelberg	3-2 W
John Carroll	3-1 W
Wilmington	3-1 W
Muskingum	3-0 W
Baldwin Wallace	3-0 W
Otterbein	3-1 L
Wittenberg	3-0 L

## Wrestling

Wisconsin Whitewater	39-3 L
Olivet (Mich.)	26-15 W
Alma (Mich.)	20-15 W
Trine (Ind.)	25-12 W
ONU Invitational	5th of 16
Mt. St. Joseph	27-15 W
Manchester	3-015 W
Midwest Classic	7th of 26
Midlands Championship	41st
Washington & Lee (Va.)	31-7 W
Lycoming (Pa.)	31-9 W
Rhode Island College	41-9 W
Messian (Pa.)	26-10 L
Thiel (Pa.)	32-8 W
Williams (Mass.)	26-11 W
New Jersey	24-19 W
Muskingum	50-3 W
John Carroll	42-4 W
Mount Union	21-17 W
Wheaton (Ill.)	11th of 29
Baldwin Wallace	26-12 W
Heidelberg	21-11 L
North Carolina State	32-11 L
Davidson (N.C.)	20-18 W
NCAA III Regionals	5th of 16
NCAA III Championships	13th

## Men's Track & Field

OAC Split Meet	3rd of 5
Joe Banks Invitational	1st of 10
All Ohio Championship	5th of 18
Meindel Last Call	3rd of 19
OAC Indoor Day 1	5th of 9
OAC Indoor Day 2	5th of 9
OAC Split Meet	4th of 5
Ohio Wesleyan Marv Frye	9th of 14
All Ohio Championship	6th of 20
Kenyon Invitational	3rd of 10
OAC Outdoor Day 1	7th of 9
OAC Outdoor Day 2	5th of 9

## Men's Tennis

Case Western Reserve	9-0 L
Earlham (Ind.)	8-1 L
Hope (Mich.)	6-3 L
Wartburg (Iowa)	9-0 W
Wabash (Ind.)	5-4 W
Coe (Iowa)	5-4 L
Staten Island (NY)	9-0 W
Wittenberg	7-2 W
John Carroll	8-1 W
Malone	9-0 W
Marietta	9-0 W
Wooster	7-2 W
Otterbein	8-1 W
Heidelberg	9-0 W
Mount Union	9-0 W
Wilmington	9-0 W
Baldwin Wallace	6-3 W
Capital	9-0 W
Muskingum	9-0 W
Wilmington	5-0 W
Mount Union	5-1 W
Otterbein	5-0 W
Concordia (Wis.)	5-0 W
Trinity (Tex.)	5-0 L

## Women's Track & Field

OAC Split Meet	2nd of 5
Joe Banks Invitational	1st of 9
All Ohio Meet	7th of 18
Meindel Last Call	1st of 15
OAC Indoor Day 1	4th of 9
OAC Indoor Day 2	2nd of 9
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Ohio Wesleyan	9th of 14
All Ohio Championships	11th of 19
Kenyon Invitational	5th of 12
OAC Outdoor Day 1	6th of 9
OAC Outdoor Day 2	5th of 9



Men's Swimming		Women's Tennis		OAC Standings	
John Carroll	204-75 W	St. Francis (Ind.)	8-1 W	Baseball	6th
Wilmington	187-44 W	Defiance	9-0 W	Softball	5th
Olivet (Mich.)	164-72 W	Rose-Hulman (Ind.)	9-0 W	Men's Tennis	1st
Wittenberg	190-108 W	Bluffton	9-0 W	Women's Tennis	1st
Wooster Invitational	2nd of 10	Kalamazoo (Mich.)	5-4 W	Men's Golf	4th
Defiance	242-7 W	St. Mary's (Ind.)	7-2 W	Women's Golf	4th
Findlay	207-66 W	Case Western Reserve	8-1 L	Men's Track (O)	5th
Oberlin	160-81 W	Occidental (Cal.)	8-1 W	Women's Track (O)	5th
Mount Union	150-91 W	Cal Tech	6-3 W	Men's Basketball	7th
Kenyon	124-106 L	Boila (Cal.)	9-0 W	Women's Basketball	1st
Baldwin Wallace	231-44 W	Whittier (Cal.)	6-3 L	Wrestling	1st
Notre Dame (Ohio)	122-104 W	Oberlin	7-2 L	Men's Swimming	1st
Case Western	185-110 L	Wittenberg	9-0 W	Women's Swimming	1st
OAC Championships (1)	1st of 6	Wilmington	9-0 W	Men's Track (I)	5th
OAC Championships (2)	1st of 6	Waslh	6-3 W	Women's Track (I)	2nd
OAC Champtions (3)	1st of 6	John Carroll	9-0 W	Football	6th
NCAA Championships	33rd (19 pts)	Kenyon	9-0 L	Volleyball	3rd
<b>Women's Swimming</b>		Otterbein	6-3 W	Men's Soccer	1st
		Albion (Mich.)	8-1 W	Women's Soccer	4th
		Hope (Mich.)	6-3 W	Men's XC	2nd
		Heidelberg	9-0 W	Women's XC	1st
		Indiana Tech	8-1 W		
		Mount Union	8-1 W		
		Marietta	9-0 W		
		Baldwin Wallace	7-2 W		
		Capital	9-0 W		
		Muskingum	9-0 W		
		Muskingum	5-0 W		
		John Carroll	5-0 W		
		Otterbein	5-3 W		
		Edgewood (Wis.)	5-0 W		
		Chicago (Ill.)	5-0 L		
John Carroll	141-139 L				
Wilmington	170-57 W				
Hillsdale (Mich.)	141-90 L				
Olivet (Mich.)	147-84 W				
Wittenberg	179-119 L				
Wooster Invitational	6th of 10				
Defiance	240-28 W				
Findlay	194-10 L				
Oberlin	125-112 W				
Mount Union	134-105 W				
Kenyon	123-113 L				
Baldwin Wallace	190-103 W				
Notre Dame (Ohio)	135-102 W				
Case Western Reserve	175-123 L				
OAC Championships (1)	1st of 6				
OAC Championships (2)	1st of 6				
OAC Championships (3)	1st of 6				





# ORGANIZATIONS







# The Tradition of EXCELLENCE

Ohio Northern University provides students with all backgrounds and interests with an avenue to become involved. Between the 150 organizations available at ONU, students are bound to find at least a few that spark their interest. Organizations range from club sports to religious groups to even academic clubs. Whether a student is interested in staying active physically, spiritually, or academically there are numerous options to keep them busy.

Not only are organizations available to students, they are also readily promoted. When students first arrive at ONU, they attend the Welcome Fest where each organization showcases their group and asks prospective members to sign up for an email list.

Like the university as a whole, ONU organizations are founded on the tradition of excellence. Organizations strive to make a difference in the community and student's lives. For example, the World Student Union puts on a Multicultural Fair each year to showcase the various cultures represented at ONU. Students of all nationalities come together for a taste of international food and dance. The fair provides an opportunity for students to broaden their horizons and learn about their fellow classmates and their cultures.

ONU organizations show their dedication to excellence through their service to the community and recognition for their hard work. The Lacrosse Club here at ONU has grown incredibly and event hopes to become a varsity sport within the next few years. This is all possible because students formed the organization and built it year after year to the point that the athletic department recognized an unmet need on campus.



## AFFP



Front Row: Jasmine Essex, Kayla Nida, Holly Evans, Jessica Harris, Kyle Keller

Second Row: Kevin Piccirilli, Jacob McDivitt, Josh Arthur, Stephanie Scholtue, Zachory McFarland, Dr. Dennis DeLuca

## American Chemical Society





# American Society of Civil Engineering



Front Row: Nathan Shay, Allan McDaniel, Stephen Berner, Nathan Brune

Second Row: Meredith Weingart, Stacy McClelland, Katie Bowman, Jamie Garbash, Sarah Thompson, Veronica Joseph

# American Society of Consultant Pharmacists



Front Row: Amanda Lanker, Brittany Brook, Carlie Trenga, Chelsea Belcastro, Jessica Larkey, Kelly Racette

Second Row: Joe Gresock, Gina Gelonese, Caitlin Sabol, Amanda Wionna, Shelby Free, Tom Saywell



# Am. Society of Mechanical Engineers



Dr. Michael Rider Dan Herting, Lance Rice, Jason Tropf, Ken Wachtel, Stephen Perkins, Brett Bomba, & Morgan Sperry

# ASP: Academy of Student Pharmacists

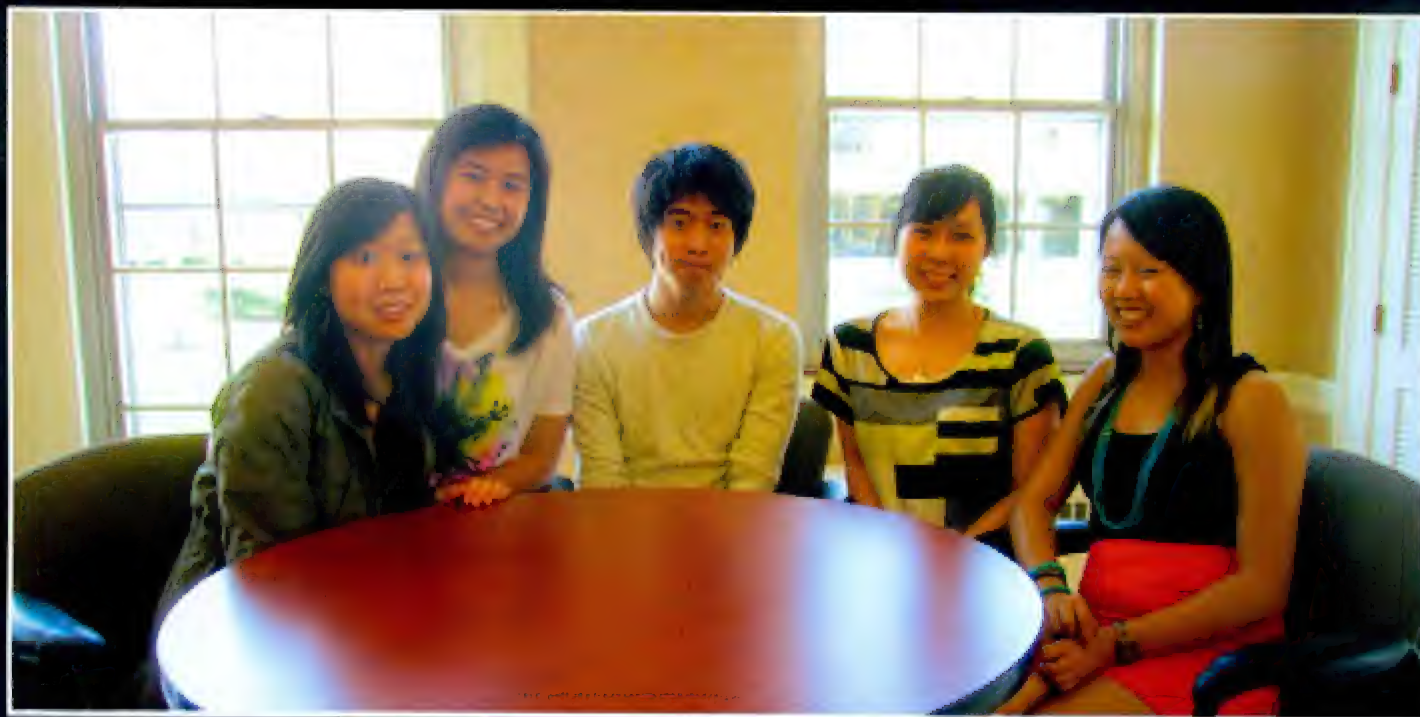


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Second Row: Michael Battershell, Kelsie Moore, Shea Pennington, Ashlee Anders, Adam Smith, Sarah Kradel, Emily Krackenburg



## Asian American Student Union



Kat Liu, Brian Ma, Angela Chu, Anh Dao Le, Chau Tran

## Catalyst Indoor Color Guard





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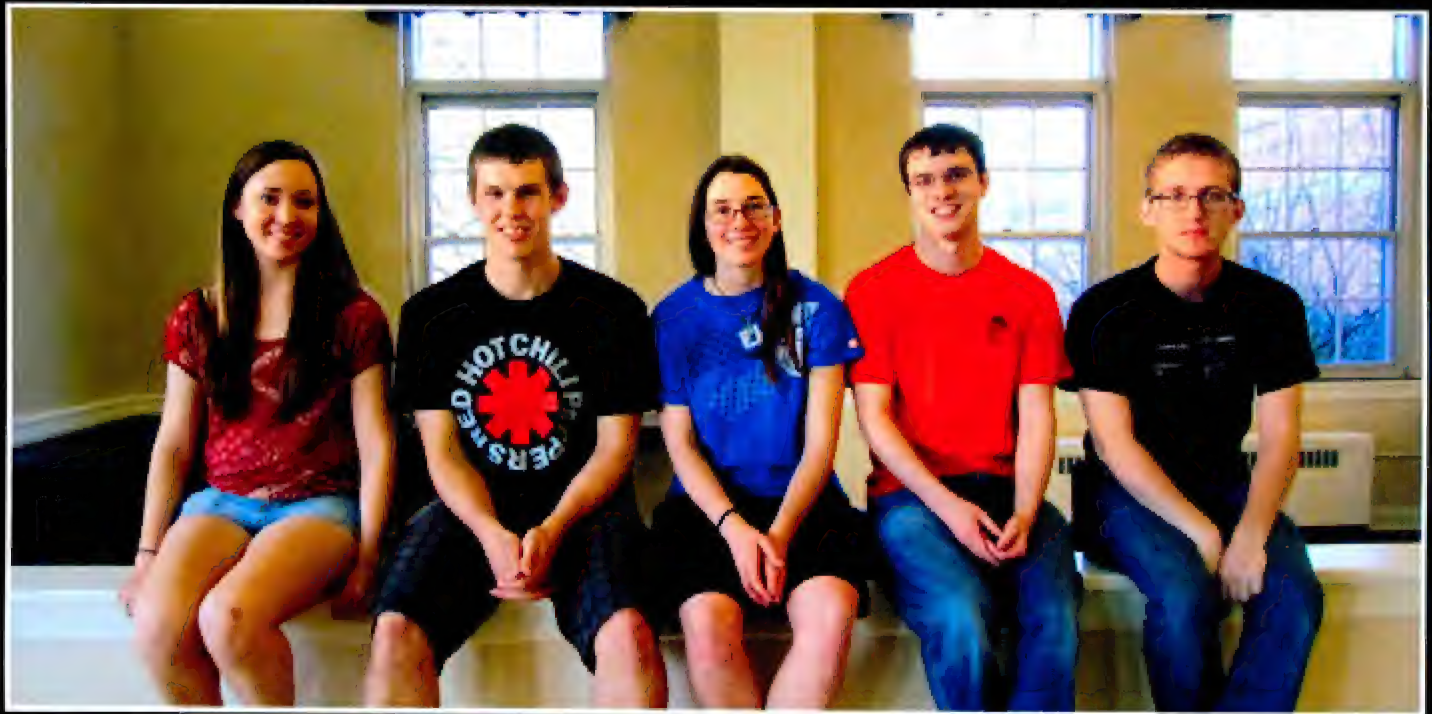
Front Row: Victoria Gayotin, Megan Siwik, Liz Coulston  
Second Row: AJ Mehlow, Nathan Brune

## Christian Pharmacist Fellowship International





# Climbing Club



Front Row: Abby Thayer, Seth Benfer, Ashley Batesole, Adam D'Amico, Joel Huff

# College Libertarians



Back Row: Stephen Perkins, Nick Hills, Daniel Dybdahl, Stephen Leichter, Andrew Merchant  
Front Row: Jason Tropol, Kurt Russell, Jenna Bittner



# Colleges Against Cancer



Front Row: Nicole Michalek, Jaclyn Purgert, Delorean Jones, Tessa Howe  
Second Row: Mark Cruea, Danielle Wildman, Robin White

## Delta Zeta





# Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Front Row: Bree Hiteshew, Megan Cottongim, Lauryn Zielinski, Kristina Klusek

Second Row: Ben Ankrom, Luke Rice, Jordan Kimes, Kevin Weslosky, Kevin Rahill, Luke Creager, Eric Linn

# Gamma Sigma Epsilon





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# Latino(a) Student Union



Front Row: Karina Banuelos, Sara Salazar

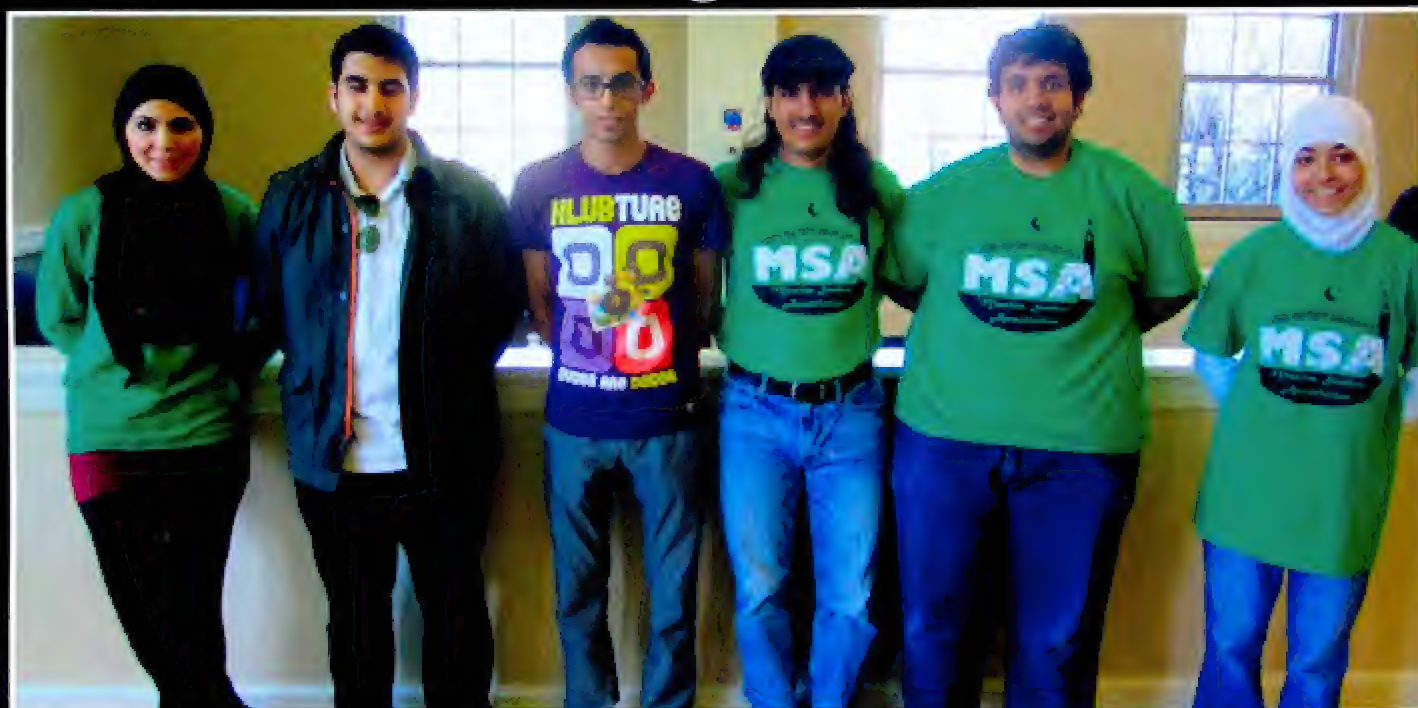
Second Row: Bander Alshami, Samira Abdulkadir, Valerie Vidal, Victoria Suarez, Dean Actstaetter



## Lions Club



## Muslim Student Organization



Samar Hussein, Abdullah Alansari, Fahad Alharbi, Bander Alshamri, Abdalmageed Almotari, Khadijah Bagais



# NEWB



Front Row: Jeremy Wilson, Stacy McClelland, Morgan Sperry, Tyler Hertenstein  
 Second Row: Nick Martinek, Eric Dicke, Derek Blubaugh, Jason Luthman

# Newman Club



Front Row: Valerie Vidal, Alyssa Miller, Andrea Kalchik, Kristen Yaeger, Paul Timmer  
 Second Row: Emily Pax, Rachel Muhlenkamp, Eric Ambros, Jaclyn Purgert, Kayla Starling  
 Third Row: Samantha Schulte, Nathan Singer, Jason Luthman, Abby Copley, Chuck D'Imperio, Mike Milks

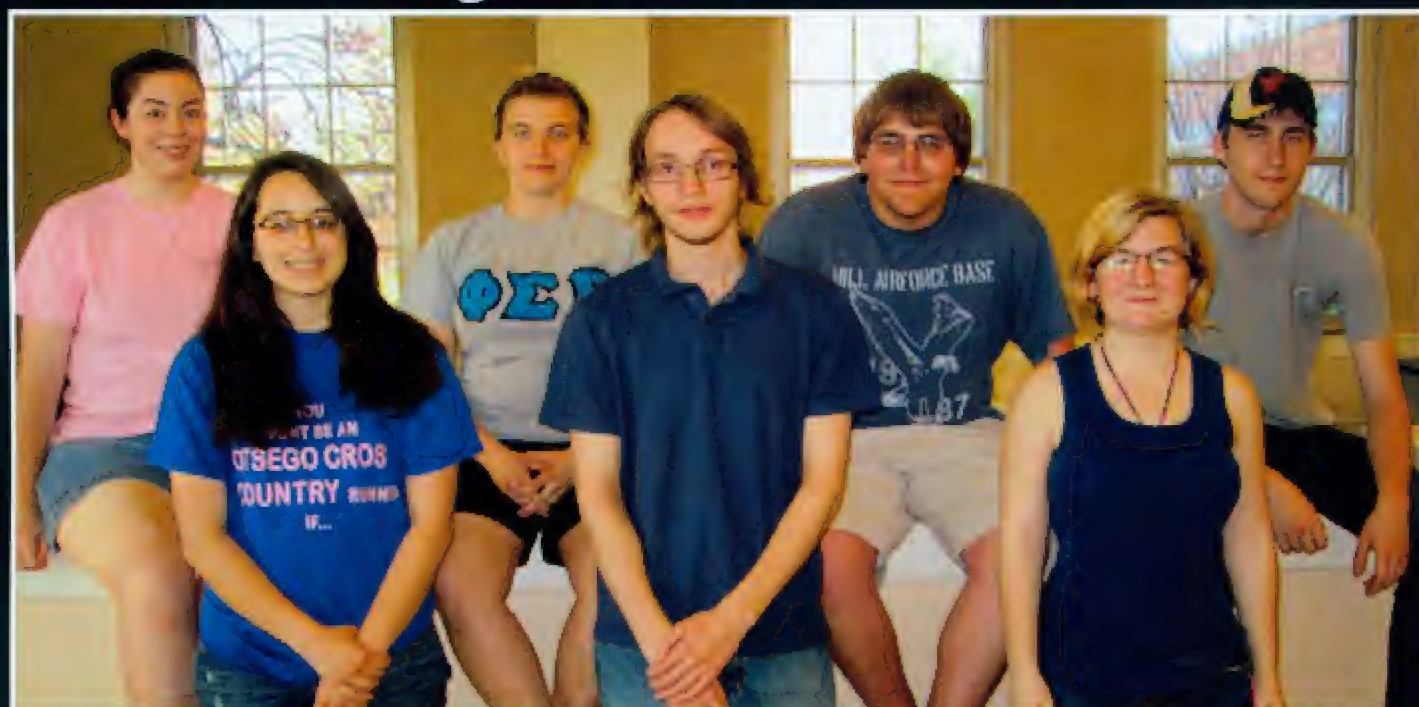


# ONU American Sign Language Club



Jacob Byczynski Justin Ray, Jeannette Taylor, Ashley Batesole, James Lee

# ONU Fencing Club



Front Row: Carmen Cano, Greg Lerner, Ashlee Dietsch

Second Row: Elizabeth Ditch, Veronica Joseph, Andrew Barr, Jay Montgomery



# ONU Pulse



Front Row: Carmen Cano, Ashlee Dietsch, Ashley Batesole

Second Row: Andrew Barr, Jacob Byczynski, Joel Huff, Peter Szabo, Veronica Joseph, Zach Miller

Third Row: Seth Benfer, Nicholas Gessner, Christian Pugh, Jay Montgomery, Adam Thayer

# Open Doors



Front Row: Haley O'Hara, Jessica Salmons, Katy Moritz

Second Row: Lance Alley, Sabrina Hamman, Mitchell Bowling



## Order of Omega



Front Row: Chelsea Belcastro, Emily Brown, Jessica Larkey, Becca Wilson

Second Row: Pat Helman, Amanda Shigle, Erica Townley, Carlie Trenga, Kelsey Wersenburger

## Phi Delta Chi



Front Row: Pat Helman, Nathan Kennell, Nik Beatty, Gideon Amofa

Second Row: Lucas Canter, Alex Alter, Anthony Piccolini, Adam Plank, Ryan Humenik, Ben Finley, Tyler Siefing, Austin Hopkins

Third Row: Clark Melvin, Billy Maiden, Mike Kinstedl, Gavin Klaus, Mike Hark



# Phi Sigma Rho



# PRSSA



Front Row: Alexa Lammers, Anna Hoard, Candace Kaiser, Hannah Peterson

Second Row: Brittany Holland, Kate Hozan, Megan Cottongim, Kelsi Rupersburg, Katee Johnson, Julianna Eley, Joyce Dunhman

Third Row: Jake Schwerer, Lauren Tennet, Jeni Kmic, Lauren Stahl, Jordan Leigh



## SWE



## Sigma Phi Epsilon





# Sigma Theta Epsilon



Front Row: James Whitten, Joshua Cox, Paige Torbet, John Hartman, Noah Orr

Second Row: Matt Zirkle, Harold Putt, Nathan Knodel, Matt Mochon, Joshua Soppe, Keith Almsai, Matt Walker, Brandon Bourgeois, Tommy Bowersock, Morgan Hammer, James Lanback, Raymond Holmes

Third Row: Wayne DeBlock, Joseph Stecyk, Timothy Smith, Nicholas Jantzen, Nathaniel Mabe, Marc Anderson, Matt Spangler, JC Schroeder, Jonathan Doran, Daniel Sayer, Spencer Schleigh

# Society for the Advancement of Management



Front Row: Justin Merz, Sasha Bolotova

Second Row: Michelle Govekar, Melissa Schroth, Lauren Brown, Darren Miller, Amber Dailey, Andy Merk, Ryan Abraham



## Spanish Club



Katie Temple, Annie Hertzler

## Student Advisory Board



Front Row: Kelsi Rupersburg, Amarilla Fair, Jenny Krauss, Hayley Reynolds, Mary Drycimski-Finn

Second Row: Emily Nebgen, Diego Sandino, Laurn Zielinski, Mary Beth Donahoe, Chris Mendoza

Third Row: Levon Archer, Dean Catherine Albrecht, Jerod Hurst, Emily Barbee, Thomas Gerberich



# Student Athletic Advisory Committee



Front Row: Courtney Knippen, Ashley Zoeller, Dan Sowa, Evan McKee, Chad Smith, Megan Conley  
Second Row: Lindsey Inkrott, Amanda Volosin, Spencer Franzo, Lauryn Ziellinski, McKenna Earley

# Student National Pharmaceutical Association





# Student Senate



# The Black Student Union



Front Row: Regine Jean-Michel, Alinda Rosvanis, Sarah Carter

Second Row: Jake McDonald, Cameran Lewis, David Sahrge, Zirimamwoyo Chinoda, Jr.



# Theta Chi



Front Row: Jacob Byczynski , Jacob Wood, Tom Gresavage, Adam Thayer

Second Row: Russell McMurry, Charlie Triplett, Dylan West, Robert Fernandes

Third Row: Jacob McDivitt, Justin Ray, Peter Szabo, Nicholas Gessner, Isaac Steinhour, Christian Pugh



## Women's Club Volleyball



Front Row: Mikayla Rader, Lauren Hector, Amanda McEvoy, Bryce Winslow, Samantha Hartnigs, Ashley Fox, Elizabeth Kramer, Brooke Pendleton

Second Row: Cheyenne Quillen, Marie Bertke, Jayce Born, Lauren Stahl, Kim Trask, Allyson Beechum, Courtney Ritter

## Women's Fast Pitch



Front Row: Brittane McCann, Ashley Dodge, Sadie Willey, Allie Duffey

Second Row: Lyndsay Albert, Mikayla Rader, Abby Copley, Taylor Cox



## Women's Rugby



## World Student Organization



Front Row: Ruth Aminu, Sarah Hallisy, Victoria Suarez, Eun Ju Cho, Khadijah Bagals

Second Row: Dave Santango, Valerie Vidal, Karina Banuelos, Abdullah Alansari, Ahmed Almarshad, Regine Jean-Michel



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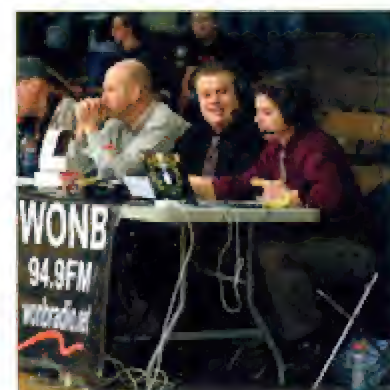
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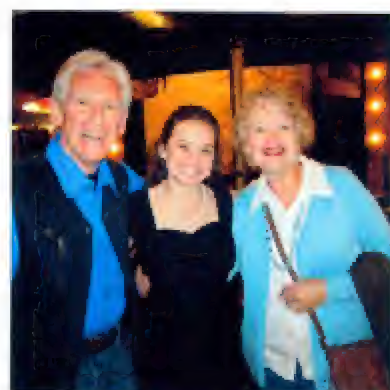


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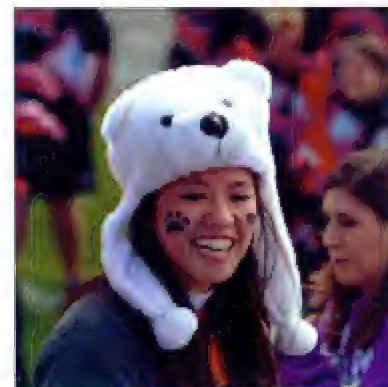
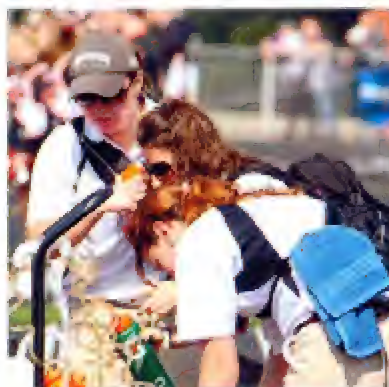
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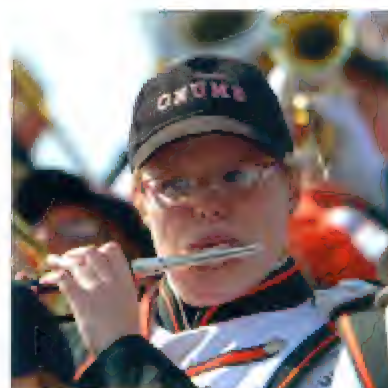
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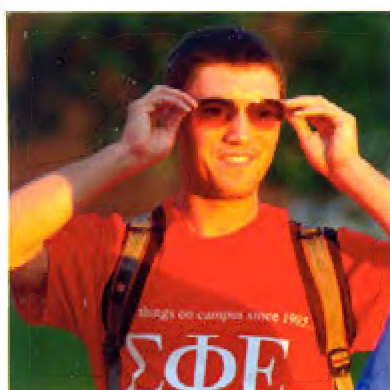
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